

NLP'S BIG FAT NON-LEAGUE SURVEY

THE RESULTS!

PROMOTION & RELEGATION

PLAY-OFFS – the general perception is you either love them or hate them.

But a Marmite subject of Non-League might not be as divided as you think, with 77 per cent happy the play-offs determine promotion.

Wembley has become the home of the National League play-off final and 62.5 per cent agree it should remain there. However at Step 2, where the final is played at the highest-ranked club, 71.5 per cent think the deciding game should be played at a neutral venue.

Step 3 and 4 leagues current-

ly have one-legged semi-finals meaning one slip and a season is over.

Ryman League Division One North club Earlow Town know all about that.

They finished one point behind champions Needham Market on 103 points.

A few days later they lost a 4-3 thriller to Thurrock in the semi-finals and their promotion dream was over.

While everyone knows the rules at the start of the season – 61.5 per cent of you want to see that changed to two-legged affairs.

Should there be an extra promotion place up to the Football League?

Yes 74.12%

No 25.88%

Are you happy with play-offs determining promotion?

Yes 76.93%

No 23.07%

Should teams finishing higher in the final table be given more of an advantage in the play-offs?

Yes 66.40%

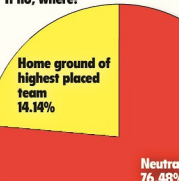
No 33.60%

Should the Conference promotion final be held at Wembley?

Yes 62.54%

No 37.46%

If no, where?



Should the Step 2 play-off final be held at a neutral ground?

Yes 71.54%

No 28.46%

At Step 3 and 4, would you prefer to see two-legged semi-finals?

Yes 61.48%

No 38.52%

If a club pulls out of a league, would you prefer to see a team promoted from a lower division rather than one being 'reprimed' from relegation?

Yes 69.21%

No 30.79%

PLAY-OFF WINNERS:

Bristol Rovers won play-off promotion at Wembley in May – and the majority of readers believe it's a fine way to go

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