

Club Funding

Funding is a major part of any clubs sustainability. The first and main priority is to set up a Club bank account.

Getting to grips with funding

Applying for funding can be daunting, especially if you have not done it before. Club Matters have some fantastic guidance to help you get to [grips with funding](#). Their guidance offers you areas to think about before you apply for funding and what to expect from the application process, focusing on understanding the questions asked.

Bank Accounts

Before being in receipt of any funding from members or external funders such as Sport England, the Club should be in possession of a Community Sports Club Bank Account. These are usually free from your bank.

County Sports Partnerships



County Sports Partnerships are based in the different Counties of England. These organisations are used to help sports apply for funding to Sport England programs such as Sportivate, Satellite Club funding and Coaching Bursaries to name a few.

For further details: <http://www.cspnetwork.org/>

Sportivate



Sportivate is a funding program that is available through the 'London 2012 Legacy Program'. This program allows for sports sessions to be funded by Sport England to increase participation of people who do not take part in sport. Criteria that is used for the program is:

- Age groups: 16 – 25 year olds
- Gender specific groups
- Area and links to groups to become more active

For more information please contact your Regional Development Office or find your local CSP on: <http://www.cspnetwork.org/>

Coaching Bursaries

Coaching Bursaries can be found through many different avenues, however we will explain two of the most common avenues.

County Sports Partnerships (CSPs)

The CSP is your local link into Sport England/local authority funded coaching grants to help sports coaches become qualified. The structure that is in place for these grants is strict. The application must come through your BWL Regional Office for approval before going to the CSP. Once done the CSP will either approve/deny the application and sent on to Sport England.

Criteria

Once approved there are certain aspects to the application form that must be completed before you are assigned the grant. Generally most CSPs require that you give 6 hours of volunteer coaching at a club and have it signed off online. This will allow for the grant amount to be deposited into the club bank account, it will NOT be put into an individual's account. Grants range from 50% – 75% of the total course cost.

Satellite Club Funding



Once you have your 'Home' club set up, the club can look at applying for this funding. The main aim of this funding is to expand your club into specific areas such as schools, colleges, universities and youth community centres to bring our sport to the forefront.

Below is a link to Sport England Guide to Satellite Clubs:

<https://www.sportengland.org/media/4433/satellite-club-guide-for-community-sports-clubs.pdf>

Sponsorise.Me



Sponsorise.Me is a Crowdfunding source for weight lifting clubs to access. Crowdfunding is the ability to leverage your community to raise funds. You've probably seen, or even supported, crowdfunding projects for things like music, clothes or cool gadgets.

Now Sponsorise.me is bringing this popular model to the world of sports, helping athletes and team to finance things like equipment, training or travel in exchange for unique rewards.

Further Grant information:

For more information of these grants, please get in touch with your Regional Development Office. They will be able to explain in greater detail about these grants.

- Small Grants
- Legacy Grant
- Borough Sports Trusts
- Supermarket Funding Opportunities



For further information on managing your Club's Finances, check out the Club Matters Club Finances section.

Fundraising: Hosting courses

1st4Sport If your club needs to train up a new coach and the clubs short on funds, why not look at hosting a BWL course. If your facility is suitable you can gain one free spot on a course for a chosen member of your club.



There are many options available to a club who is looking at hosting a course working with the BWL Head Office to organise them. For further information, please contact the BWL Head Office.



[For funding guidance and opportunities, click here to visit Club Matters.](#)