

# Appendix A: Funding Plan

## Introduction

- 1.1 Table 1.1 below provides details of a range of organisations who offer funding opportunities that could be explored to help deliver some of the outcomes and outputs that have been identified in the Playing Pitch Strategy Action Plan. When exploring these further, it is important that any potential applicant assesses their ability to meet the eligibility criteria set out by the funding organisation. This should be done in conjunction with relevant members of the steering group.

**Table 1.1 Funding Plan**

Organisation	Description
Sport England	At present Sport England don't have any funding opportunities available. It is anticipated that this will change over the next 12-18 months. Details regarding funding enquires and any future updates can be found on their website. <a href="#">(Apply for funding   Sport England)</a>
Football Foundation	<p><b>Single Fund</b> The Football Foundation Single Fund provides funding opportunities for smaller projects such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grass pitch maintenance kit and equipment;</li> <li>• Changing room refurbishments;</li> <li>• Storage containers;</li> <li>• Portable floodlights.</li> </ul> <p>The fund will also support larger projects such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3G Artificial Grass Pitches (AGPs);</li> <li>• Changing pavilions.</li> </ul> <p>Applicants must demonstrate how the funding will develop football within their community with a particular focus on tackling inequalities.</p> <p><a href="#">(Click here for Football Foundation Single Fund)</a></p> <p><b>Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund</b> The Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund provides eligible clubs, leagues and organisations with a tapered six-year grant to help them sustain pitches already at a 'good' level and enhance pitches that are either considered 'poor' or 'basic'. Clubs must complete a self-assessment of their pitches using the Pitch Power app. This provides a Performance Quality Standard (PQS) for their pitches. Funding of poor quality pitches is provided as follows:</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11v11 pitch - £3,200;</li> <li>• 9v9 pitch - £2,560;</li> <li>• Mini soccer pitches - £1,920.</li> </ul> <p>Funding of good quality pitches is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11v11 pitch - £960;</li> <li>• 9v9 pitch - £640;</li> <li>• Mini soccer pitches - £384.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">(Click here for Football Foundation Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund)</a></p>
Premier League	<p><b>Premier League Stadium Fund</b></p> <p>The Premier League Stadium Fund provides funding for clubs throughout the football pyramid, including National League System Clubs at steps 1-6 and Women's Football Pyramid Clubs at tiers 1-4. The fund is designed to support clubs fulfil their ground grading requirements and provide a better match day experience for fans.</p> <p><a href="#">(Click here for Premier League Stadium Fund)</a></p>
England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB)	<p><b>County Grants Fund</b></p> <p>The County Grants Fund aims to support affiliated cricket clubs to create welcoming environments, provide enhanced facilities and playing opportunities, and to help clubs tackle the impact of climate change. This can include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Creating welcoming environments – open to affiliated cricket clubs registered for All Stars or Dynamos, or actively involved with women's and girls' cricket and / or disability cricket. It is an expectation that any junior programme will include and actively engage with girls;</li> <li>• Enhanced facilities and playing opportunities for women's and girls' cricket and / or disability cricket – open to affiliated cricket clubs actively engaged in competitive female only cricket;</li> <li>• Tackling climate change – Open to any affiliated cricket clubs;</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">(Click here for ECB County Grants Fund)</a></p> <p><b>Interest Free Loan Scheme</b></p> <p>The Interest Free Loan Scheme provides finance to clubs for various capital projects such as buildings, equipment purchase, fine turf, land purchase and non-turf. All ECB affiliated cricket clubs are eligible to apply, as well as other organisations that can evidence achievement / delivery of the England and Wales Cricket Trust charitable aims. Clubs with a junior section can apply for a loan from £1,000 to £50,000 whereas clubs without a junior section can apply for a loan from £1,000 to £20,000. A minimum of 10% partnership funding is required from the applicant.</p>

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	<p><a href="#">(Click here for ECB Interest Free Loan Scheme)</a></p>
<p>Lawn Tennis Association (LTA)</p>	<p><b>Quick Access Loan Scheme</b>  The LTA's Quick Access Loan Scheme provides interest free loans from £25,000 up to £250,000. The fund will prioritise investment into low cost indoor structures and floodlights to enable communities to grow participation by accessing all year round facilities.</p> <p>The objectives of the fund are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide indoor or floodlit and year round playing facilities to encourage community accessible play all year;</li> <li>• Enhance facilities to create better playing environments to encourage play all year (link to 'what we will fund');</li> <li>• Retain and increase the number of participants at the venue;</li> <li>• Offer and increase both non-member pay and play usage and coaching opportunities;</li> <li>• Grow the numbers of adults and juniors on the coaching programme;</li> <li>• Provide online booking through Club Spark with courts available through LTA Rally.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">(Click here for LTA Quick Access Loan Scheme)</a></p>
<p>The National Lottery</p>	<p><b>Reaching Communities</b>  The Reaching Communities Fund offers grants over £10,000 to organisations that work with their community. The fund will award grants for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Direct costs associated with delivering activities in your community - this can include project staff, materials, equipment, room hire, volunteer expenses and project evaluations;</li> <li>• Organisational development - this can include business planning, testing new ways of working, staff training and development, developing governance and leadership, tech or IT upgrades/purchases, developing and sharing impact and learning, and increasing capacity to support collaboration and partnership working;</li> <li>• Core/fixed costs to support the day-to-day running of your organisation - this can include core salaries, rent, utilities, equipment; the purchasing, refurbishing or developing of land and buildings.</li> </ul> <p><a href="#">(Click here for National Lottery Reaching Communities Fund)</a></p>