



# DEVON COUNTY FA COMMUNITY FUND

2022





# INTRODUCTION TO OUR COMMUNITY FUND



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**DEVON COUNTY FA ARE COMMITTED TO OUR ROLE OF UNITING AND SERVING DEVON FOOTBALL TO PROVIDE AN INCLUSIVE AND ENJOYABLE EXPERIENCE FOR ALL.**

**THROUGH OUR 2021 TO 2024 BUSINESS STRATEGY WE HAVE COMMITTED TO REINVESTING £240,000 INTO FOOTBALL ACROSS THE COUNTY.**

**AS PART OF THIS COMMITMENT WE ARE EXCITED TO LAUNCH OUR NEW DEVON FA COMMUNITY FUND.**

**THE NEW DEVON FA COMMUNITY FUND REPLACES THE DEVON FA DIY PROGRAMME AND GIVES CLUBS THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR A DEVON FA GRANT TO SUPPORT PROJECTS AND NEW ACTIVITIES TO ENHANCE FOOTBALL IN THE COUNTY.**



# INTRODUCTION



**This guide will give you all the information you need to develop an application for a grant to improve your club:**

- **Materials for work to take place on improving your ground, changing rooms or pavilions**
- **Storage Units or containers**
- **Partnership funding towards applications to the Football Foundation for replacement or new goal posts**
- **Partnership funding towards Pitch Maintenance Equipment**
- **Line Marking Equipment**
- **New female or disability teams for existing affiliated clubs**
- **New male teams for the 2022 - 23 season for existing affiliated clubs**
- **Respect package for grounds**

**If a project you are looking to fund does not appear within this guide please email [development@devonfa.com](mailto:development@devonfa.com) for guidance on potential funding streams.**

**All successful applicants will be required to complete a Service Level Agreement (SLA) on award of the grant.**





Devon FA



**ELIGIBILITY**



# ELIGIBILITY

## You can apply if you're:

- **An affiliated Devon FA club and part of the Devon FA Player Membership Scheme**
- **An affiliated club in neighbouring County FA's that are part of the Devon FA Player Membership Scheme**
- **Have no outstanding debts to DCFA**
- **England Accredited or commit to becoming England Accredited within 6 months**
- **Ensure all player membership payments for the 2022 - 2023 season are paid by the 30th September 2022**

## You can't apply if you're:

- **Not affiliated to your County Football Association**
- **Not part of the Devon FA Player Membership Scheme**
- **If the work is to improve a ground or pitch used within the National League System (Step 6 and above), clubs can access funding for these works through the Premier League Stadium Fund.**
- **A commercial / for profit entity**





# ELIGIBILITY

## **How often can I apply?**

**As you can probably imagine, we will receive lots of applications from across our member clubs and we ask that clubs make no more than one application in one section per season.**

**Although we've designed the process to make it as quick and easy as possible, it's still important that you take the time to ensure you've included everything we've asked for. This helps us to make decisions quicker and prevents you from having to submit multiple applications for the same item.**

**An application will not be considered as submitted until all information including any requested documents have been submitted.**

**Therefore, please give careful thought before you apply that you have included everything within your submission that you need in order to prevent multiple applications being made.**

**Priority will be given to the clubs that have not benefitted from the previous Devon FA DIY Fund.**





# GROUND IMPROVEMENTS





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**As part of this fund we will consider applications for materials towards minor building and ground works that:**

- Enhance facilities, including decoration of buildings
- Address health and safety issues and improve the financial health of your organisation by reducing operating costs,
- Increase income streams
- Maintain or increase participation in football

**We will not fund the ongoing running costs of buildings or to carry out routine maintenance works and labour costs, this includes annual pitch maintenance work. Should the club require funding towards pitch maintenance please take a look the [Football Foundation Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund](#).**

**Temporary structures (such as marquees) are also not eligible.**

**All materials will be provided and delivered by our partner Feaver & Son Hardware & Building Supplies up to a maximum of £2,000.**





# **GROUND IMPROVEMENTS**

## **Tenure Requirements**

**A club must own the freehold or have a lease or license which has more than 2 years to run and permission from the Landlord.**

## **Required Documents**

**To ensure your application is processed you should include the following documents:**

- **A full list of materials required**
- **Photographs of the existing building or works to be completed**
- **Plans and drawings of the Existing building configuration and proposed**
- **Evidence of additional partnership funding (if required)**
- **Evidence of security of tenure in the form of a signed lease or freehold title document**
- **Planning approval notice (if required)**
- **Landlord's consent to the works (if required)**





**STORAGE  
UNITS**





# STORAGE UNITS

We will award a maximum grant of £2,000 towards the purchase of storage containers or buildings that support a club to increase their storage at their ground or site.

## What we will fund:

- Steel shipping containers
- New sheds

## What we won't fund:

- Second hand shed
- Storage containers that cannot be locked

## Documents required:

To ensure your application is processed you should include the following documents:

- Photographs of where the storage container will be placed
- Plans of where storage container will be placed on site
- Quotations for storage unit
- Evidence of additional partnership funding (if required)
- Evidence of security of tenure in the form of a signed lease or freehold title document
- Planning approval notice (if required)
- Landlord's consent to the works (if required)





# GOAL POSTS





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## **Partnership funding towards applications to the Football Foundation towards replacement or new goal posts**

**We will award a maximum grant of £2,000 towards the purchase of new or replacement pairs of goalposts for use within community grassroots football. There is no limit on the number of goals that can be purchased for a club.**

**The FA and British Standards Institution (BSI), in conjunction with manufacturers, have developed standards for goalposts – BSEN 748:2013+A1:2018 and BS EN 16579:2018. Your supplier must ensure that the goalposts you're seeking to purchase meet this standard.**

**You must then ensure they're correctly installed in accordance with manufacturer requirements. Further details on goalpost safety can be found [here](#).**

**A club who is looking for funding towards replacement or new goalposts can apply to the Football Foundation Small Grants Scheme for additional funding, eligibility for this fund can be found [here](#).**





# GOAL POSTS

## What we will fund:

- 11v11, 9v9 and Mini Soccer goalposts
- Goalposts that will be used on a 3G pitch that is on the FA 3G Pitch Register
- Futsal goalposts

## Documents required:

To ensure your application is processed you should include the following documents:

- Quotations for each set of goals required
- Evidence of partnership funding

## What we won't fund:

- Goalposts that have already been purchased or ordered
- Individual goalposts (goalposts must be purchased in pairs)
- Replacement of goalpost parts or nets
- Goalposts that will be used on a 3G pitch that isn't on the FA 3G Pitch Register
- Replacement of goalposts that have previously been purchased with Football Foundation funding
- Other items such as corner flags, football kit, footballs, cones





# PITCH MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT





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## Partnership funding towards Pitch Maintenance Equipment

We will award a maximum grant of £2,000 towards pitch maintenance equipment that is purchased through our partnership with [Masons Kings](#).

A club who is looking for funding towards pitch maintenance equipment can apply to the Football Foundation Small Grants Scheme, eligibility for this fund can be found [here](#).

## Documents required

To ensure your application is processed you should include the following documents:

- PitchPower Assessment Report evidencing the equipment needed. Further details on PitchPower are available [here](#)
- Quotations for each item of equipment from Masons Kings
- Evidence of partnership funding
- Photos of where this equipment will be stored





# LINE MARKERS





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## **Line Markers**

**We will provide clubs with a maximum of two wheel to wheel line markers and 20 litres of paint.**

**Clubs that have the responsibility of marking more than three pitches or overmark pitches within their site will be provided two wheel to wheel line markers.**

**All other clubs will be awarded a single wheel to wheel line marker and 20 litres of paint.**

**Should a club wish to have a spray line marker, they can apply for a grant up to £400 to purchase the line marker from [Wakeham GroundCare](#).**

**For information on the spray line marker or which marker would best suit your club please contact Tim Wakeham at [tim@wakehamgroundcare.co.uk](mailto:tim@wakehamgroundcare.co.uk)**

## **Documents required:**

**No other documents are required for your application to be assessed.**





**NEW FEMALE OR  
DISABILITY TEAMS**



# NEW FEMALE OR DISABILITY TEAMS

We will award a grant of £750 for clubs creating either new female team or disability team (maximum of one team per club) that are affiliated after the 1st October 2022 for either the 2022/23 or 2023/24 season. Each team will also receive an equipment package to support the development of the new team.



## What we will fund:

- Facility Hire
- League entry fees
- FA coaching courses
- DBS checks
- Promotion and recruitment

Please note that it is compulsory that you keep receipts against the expenditure above, payment of the funding will be provided on proof of purchases and the new team being affiliated with your County FA.

## Documents required:

No other documents are required for your application to be assessed.





# NEW MALE TEAMS





# **NEW MALE TEAMS (INCLUDES MIXED YOUTH TEAMS)**

**We will award clubs who have or will create a new team within the male player pathway from Under 11 through to veterans and walking football teams in the 2022-23 season. A youth club will be awarded £100 per team and an adult club will be awarded £200 per team.**

## **What we will fund:**

- A new team from Under 11 to Under 18
- An additional men's team with the club
- A new Veterans side attached to an England Accredited Club
- A new walking football team in the Devon Walking Football League

## **What we won't fund:**

- Any team that has moved up an age group
- Any team in mini soccer
- A new Veterans side NOT attached to an England Accredited Club
- Any female or disability team (please see other funding available with the Community Fund)

## **Documents required:**

- No other documents are required for your application to be assessed.



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RESPECT  
PACKAGE



# RESPECT PACKAGE

## Respect package for grounds both fixed and portable

We will provide clubs with a Respect Programme package which will include a mix of portable A Frame Devon FA Respect Boards with personalised club badge and Respect barriers.

Clubs will be awarded the following package depending on the number of teams affiliated to their County FA:

- 1 to 3 teams – one portable A Frame Devon FA Respect Board with personalised club badge and two 60m Respect barriers
- 4 to 6 teams – two portable A Frame Devon FA Respect Boards with personalised club badge and one 120m and two 60m Respect barriers
- Over 7 teams – three portable A Frame Devon FA Respect Boards with personalised club badge and two 120m and three 60m Respect barriers

## Documents required:

No other documents are required for your application to be assessed.



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# HOW TO APPLY



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PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#) TO APPLY FOR ANY OF THE PROJECTS DETAILED IN THIS GUIDE, FOR ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE EMAIL: [DEVELOPMENT@DEVONFA.COM](mailto:DEVELOPMENT@DEVONFA.COM)

WHEN COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION PLEASE ENSURE YOU ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN FULL AND UPLOAD ALL REQUESTED DOCUMENTS.







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