



Fencing

Football Foundation information document

Summary

It is often essential that a site is suitably enclosed for security and safety reasons and to ensure that the facility is kept in a suitable condition. Therefore the Foundation will accept applications for fencing, which may include boundary or ball retention fencing.

Grant limits

The Foundation will award a maximum grant of £25,000. Grants cannot exceed 75% of the total project costs.

Where a grant of over £25,000 is required for major fencing works, the applicant should contact their County FA and / or Foundation Engagement Manager to discuss the project in more detail.

Criteria

We will fund either boundary fencing or ball retention fencing/netting that is required to improve security or safety at a site. You should make the reasons for undertaking the works clear in your application. We will require a marked-up drawing or aerial photograph of the site, indicating the location of the proposed fencing.

We will require a specification and schedule of works which indicates the length of the fencing to be provided (i.e. total number of metres), the height of the fencing and its construction, and the size and number of gates to be provided.

Planning permission may be required for the works, and if so, this should be in place before your application is submitted. As part of your application you should include confirmation of planning permission, or written confirmation from the local planning authority that planning permission is not required. Further information regarding planning permission can be found at:

<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/permission/commonprojects/fenceswallsgates>

The statutory fees payable for securing planning permission may be included as an eligible cost to the project.

If you do not own the freehold for the site, we will require written confirmation of the landlord's consent to undertake the proposed works.

We are unable to support any fencing proposal which would restrict a public right of way. Please refer to: <https://www.gov.uk/right-of-way-open-access-land/public-rights-of-way>



Tenure requirements

You will need to demonstrate ownership, by either freehold, or uninteruptable leasehold from the date of grant offer for a varying period, dependent on the grant amount.

- Up to £25,000 – 5 years
- £25,001 up to £100,000 – 10 years

Documents required

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

- Photographs of the existing site, indicating where the fencing will be installed
- A marked-up drawing or aerial photograph of the site, indicating the location of the proposed fencing
- Specification / schedule of works
- Two like-for-like quotations, based upon the design details and specification
- Evidence of the additional partnership funding
- Evidence of security of tenure
- Planning approval notice (if applicable)
- Landlords consent to the works (if applicable)

Assessment timescales

Upon submission of your application and the receipt of any supporting documentation, you will receive confirmation that the application has been logged.

Your application will be assessed by our Grant Management Team, who will contact you to discuss any questions on your application.

Assessment of your application will typically take around two weeks. You will then receive a notification by email that your decision letter (and any associated terms and conditions) is available for download from your Foundation account.