

BENEVOLENT FUND

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Rules:

1. The Fund shall be called the Sussex County Football Association Benevolent Fund. The Fund shall be vested in the Board of Directors of the Sussex County Football Association Limited. The Object of the Sussex County Football Association Benevolent Fund shall be to make grants to any of the following persons who may be from time to time in necessitous circumstances, that is to say, members of clubs affiliated to the Sussex County Football Association, or to such persons who have rendered services to the game within the county and/or their near relatives or dependents as in the opinion of the Trustees may be deemed advisable and for no other purposes whatsoever.
2. Contributions to the Fund shall be voluntary on the part of Associations, Competitions, Leagues and Clubs affiliated to the Sussex County Football Association Limited and by players, officials, referees and other benefactors.
3. All applications shall be made on forms obtainable from the Secretary of the Fund, which must be fully completed including a full disclosure of financial affairs and general circumstances. Each case will be dealt with on its merits. Claims for only one week's incapacity are not considered necessitous and should only be submitted in very exceptional circumstances.
4. Grants may be made in the form of either a lump sum or of a series of periodical payments or of a combination of both. There is no right of appeal if the Trustees decide to decline to award a grant.
5. The Fund is not established to supersede efforts which Clubs may make on behalf of an applicant, but to supplement local efforts.
6. All applications will be considered as long as the players' Club has made a direct contribution to the Fund for the current season even if the Club or player has made a claim against their Personal Accident Insurance Scheme. Non-contributing Clubs are reminded that the Fund exists primarily by virtue of Clubs' contributions.
7. All requests for application forms must be received by the Secretary of the Fund within 28 days of the injury and then completed and returned to the Fund Secretary within a further 28 days or the application may not be considered or a reduced grant may be payable.
8. A medical certificate or its equivalent must accompany each application. Confirmation of financial and other relevant information required to support the application must also be provided if requested.
9. The Board of Directors of the Sussex County Football Association Limited will appoint six Trustees annually who shall each serve until the following Annual General Meeting of the Company. The appointed Trustees may, at their discretion, appoint as co-opted Trustees up to a further three Trustees all of whom must be current Council Members of the Sussex County Football Association Limited and who shall also serve until the following Annual General Meeting of the Company. All Trustees shall be eligible for re-election. The Trustees shall have full power to deal with any matter not covered by these rules.

SECRETARIES PLEASE NOTE: Clubs are NOT allowed to make ANY payments to or on behalf of injured players from Club funds without the permission of the Sussex County FA Ltd.