

# COVID-19 SUPPORT WEBINAR

# AGENDA

- 1. LTA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE**
- 2. GOVERNMENT SUPPORT**
- 3. SPORT ENGLAND FUNDING**
- 4. OTHER SOURCES OF SUPPORT**



# 1. LTA CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

# RETURN TO PLAY

22 February – Government to publish roadmap for relaxation of restrictions

8 March – provisional date for schools to return and wider restrictions to begin to be relaxed

Updates will be shared on the [LTA's Coronavirus page](#).

# THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON GRASSROOTS ACTIVITY

The Sport and Recreation Alliance has commissioned the Sport Industry Research Centre (SIRC) at Sheffield Hallam University to estimate the impact of the lockdown resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic on the voluntary sector in sport and physical activity.

<https://www.Sportandrecreation.Org.Uk/news/grassroots/alliance-launch-survey-to-measure-the-impact>

The LTA also continues to engage with Government on the financial impact of the pandemic on venues, and has made a number of detailed submissions on additional support that is likely to be needed.



## 2. GOVERNMENT SUPPORT PACKAGES

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## Business Support Finder

- Business Support Grants (England)
- Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG)
- Job Retention Scheme
- Other

# BUSINESS SUPPORT GRANTS (ENGLAND)

One off, top up grants of between £4,000 and £9,000 per property are available to help organisations in the leisure, retail and hospitality sectors through to the spring.

## Eligibility:

Any business, which occupies a property and is the business rate payer, that has been legally required to close as a result of the national lockdown, and which cannot operate effectively remotely, may be eligible for a grant.

The value of the grant available varies based on the rateable value of the property:

Rateable Value	Grant Available
£15,000 or under	£4,000
£15,000 - £51,000	£6,000
+£51,000	£9,000

## How to apply

Visit your local council's website to find out how to apply. [Find the website for your local council.](#)

# ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS GRANT (ARG)

The additional restrictions grant (ARG) provides local councils with grant funding to support closed businesses that do not directly pay business rates as well as businesses that do not have to close but which are impacted.

Local councils have the freedom to determine the eligibility criteria and can determine which businesses to target and determine the amount of funding from the ARG.

[\*\*FIND YOUR LOCAL COUNCIL\*\*](#)

[\*\*FIND YOUR MP HERE\*\*](#)

# JOB RETENTION SCHEME

**Up to 30 April 2021**

If your organisation has a paid workforce that you cannot maintain because your operations have been affected by the coronavirus, you can furlough employees and apply for a grant to cover a portion of their usual monthly wage costs where you record them as being on furlough.

This scheme enables you to claim 80% of an employee's usual salary for hours not worked, up to a maximum of £2,500 per month.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/claim-for-wage-costs-through-the-coronavirus-job-retention-scheme>

# OTHER GOVERNMENT SUPPORT

There are various other Government support packages and schemes available which include but are not limited to:

- A 12-month business rates holiday for retail, hospitality, leisure and nursery businesses.
- Business Loan Schemes (including [Coronavirus Business Interruption Loan Scheme](#) and [Bounce Back Loans](#))
- Specific funds for [Social Enterprise and Charities](#) (including [Resilience and Recovery Loan Fund](#))
- [Self Employed Income Support Scheme](#)
- The ability to defer VAT and income tax payments.



# 3. SPORT ENGLAND FUNDS

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Sport England have modified their funding streams to help people safely return to play and are targeting the places they'll have the biggest impact.

## Find the right fund

- Return to Play: Small Grants
- Return to Play: Community Asset Fund
- Return to Play: Active Together

# RETURN TO PLAY: SMALL GRANTS

Grants of between £300 and £10,000

The fund can contribute towards the costs incurred by issues such as having to deliver activity to smaller groups than normal, purchasing the correct hygiene/safety equipment, minor changes to facilities, sport equipment, signage and training courses.

Priority will be given to organisations located in the 30% most deprived areas of England (with an IMD ranking of between 1 and 9,853).

<https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/return-play-small-grants>

# RETURN TO PLAY: COMMUNITY ASSET FUND

Offers grants between £10,001 and £50,000

To help local sports clubs and organisations adapt and open important places and spaces to help their local community return to play safely.

This could include contributing to covering the costs incurred by converting existing space to meet social distancing guidelines or improving a facility's ventilation.

Again, priority will be given to organisations delivering in the 30% most deprived areas.

<https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/return-play-community-asset-fund>

# RETURN TO PLAY: ACTIVE TOGETHER

Return to play: active together this is a crowdfunding initiative that can match fund, up to £10,000, successful crowdfunder campaigns.

It is designed to help clubs and organisations to run their own crowdfunding campaigns and provides access to expert advice and guidance to support you.

Active together can support fundraising for things such as a loss of income due to the crisis, or any other covid-19 related needs.

<https://www.sportengland.org/how-we-can-help/our-funds/return-play-active-together#aboutcrowdfunding-10709>

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/funds/active-together>

# CASE STUDIES



We did it!

## Chatsworth **Tennis** Club Covid19 Resilience

Chatsworth **Tennis** Club would like your help to raise funds to repair our outdoor courts and increase our resilience to Covid19.

101% raised  
£10,160 total



We did it!

## Lostock **Tennis** Club Floodlight the Future!

Our aim is to floodlight all 5 courts at Lostock, more than doubling the opportunity to play **tennis** all year round.

102% raised  
£12,270 total



We did it!

## New Clubhouse - Urchfont **Tennis** Club

Urchfont **Tennis** Club is a small rural **tennis** facility desperately in need of a clubhouse and toilet. COVID-19 has exacerbated this.

115% raised  
£5,785 total



We did it!

## Eccleston Park **Tennis** Club Covid-19 Crowdfund

Our club needs your help to raise funds for the club's future; supporting our financial recovery to secure our way of enjoyment.

134% raised  
£26,828 total

# UNITE THE MOVEMENT

A new 10-year strategy launched by Sport England in January 2021 to transform lives and communities through sport and physical activity.

Announcement of an additional £50million investment to support grassroots sport's recovery and re-opening following lockdown restrictions.

Further relevant details will be shared on the LTA's Coronavirus page as they are published.

<https://youtu.be/AK0sWgzoB8M>

A photograph of a tennis coach kneeling on a court, talking to three young players who are also kneeling. The coach is wearing a dark cap and a dark jacket. The players are wearing various tennis attire, including caps and jackets. The background shows a tennis court with a net and some trees. The entire image has a blue tint.

# 4. OTHER SUPPORT

# OTHER SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Further information can also be the found on:

- [LTA Coronavirus page](#)
- Regional Teams and [Venue Support toolkit](#)
- [LTA Legal & Tax Helpline](#)
- [The government's business support website](#)
- [Sport England and Club Matters Covid-19 pages](#)
- [Sport and Recreation Alliance](#)
- [Good Finance](#) – Covid-19 resource hub for charities & social enterprises

**THANK YOU AND FINAL POLL**