



COMMONWEALTH GAMES LEGACY FUNDING - ROUND 2

Our first round of Commonwealth Games legacy funding released earlier this year, has seen the delivery of some exciting projects that have helped grow hockey participation in schools and the local community across the West Midlands area.

Round 2 Funding

England Hockey are excited to announce that a second round of delivery funding will shortly be opened, for projects delivering from January 2023 and onwards. The focus will remain on funding projects that offer hockey to groups of people that have never really had exposure to the sport or the opportunity to be involved before.

Who Can Apply for Delivery Funding?

Applications are open to all hockey clubs from within the England Hockey Midlands area, and we would be particularly pleased to hear from community groups who may have established links with under-represented groups and people not playing hockey already.

Who Should the Delivery Reach?

We are keen to work with clubs or community groups that can deliver some form of hockey activity to any of the following groups:

- Adults and children from ethnically and culturally diverse backgrounds
- Adults and children with disabilities or long-term health conditions
- Adults with decreased mobility
- Inactive adults
- Children and families from low socio-economic backgrounds
- Children attending state schools (primary or secondary) in areas of deprivation

Key Criteria

There are several key criteria that **MUST** be met before any programme will be considered for funding;

1. The proposed project must be delivered within the Midlands, within the following counties: Birmingham, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland, Northamptonshire, Nottinghamshire, Shropshire, Staffordshire, The Black Country, Warwickshire and Worcestershire.



2. The project must deliver hockey activity to one or more of the groups identified above **(NB for the purposes of this funding, delivery in independent or Grammar Schools is NOT included)**
3. Any school delivery **MUST** be within an area that scores 6 or less on IMD database <https://imd-by-postcode.opendatacommunities.org/imd/2019>
4. The deliverer must have relevant experience, qualifications, and insurance to ensure the activity is delivered safely and in line with England Hockey requirements
5. Planned activity in schools must take **place outside of the curriculum, i.e., after school time.**
6. The project must be started by the end of April 2023 (earlier start dates are preferred) and can be delivered as a block of activity or one-off events.
7. The project must consider how participants can continue hockey activity after the project funding has ended.
8. All funded projects must provide regular reporting information on participants for monitoring and evaluation purposes.

What Can the Funding Cover?

Items/costs that can be funded through the project include (but are not exclusive to):

- Coaching (staff) costs
- Equipment costs
- Venue hire
- One off event costs (providing this is explained fully in application form)

Guidelines can be found in the 'Project Costs' section of the application form

Community Groups

We fully recognise that many community groups may already be delivering pockets of activity within (and to) the groups above, in a variety of settings. We would like to help you position hockey within your sessions and improve accessibility of the sport at more non-traditional venues. In addition, if you are worried about not having appropriate / qualified deliverers, please speak to us, we can help.

Hockey Clubs

If you are a Midlands-based hockey club, we would welcome applications for community and school activity reaching any of the target groups listed above.



For any school activity, it is essential that you are proposing to work with state schools (not fee paying, grammar, or schools that are already delivering hockey to pupils) and that the activity is new and not a continuation of an existing relationship.

We would also like to see some evidence of the contact you have had with schools, so we know initial conversations have taken place and we can work with you to support the development of your delivery plan if necessary.

Questions / Further Support

If you would like to speak to someone regarding an application before you apply, please do not hesitate to contact us at – participation@englandhockey.co.uk or Steven.Bradley@Englandhockey.co.uk

In addition, we will be hosting some informal, drop-in sessions via teams that allow you to ask any questions you may have about the application process or criteria. These will be on the following dates/times:

- Monday 21st November - 2pm
- Wednesday 23rd November - 7pm
- Monday 28th November - 7pm

If you wish to join one of the sessions, please complete the form [here](#) with your preferred session and brief details of your questions.

Next Steps

If you are interested in applying for funding, you now need to:

- Read through the letter alongside the relevant application form (Clubs or Community Group) paying particular attention to the criteria
- Start conversations with suitable schools / community groups, ensuring you are capturing the information needed for the application form
- If you have a question or need some help with the process, get in touch via email or join us at one of the drop-in sessions
- Complete and submit your application form (either Clubs or Community Group) to participation@englandhockey.co.uk by **Friday 9th December**
- Applications will be reviewed, and you will hear back from us by **Monday 19th December**
- If you are successful payment will follow in the New Year ahead of activity starting