Dear Club

I hope you are well. Just a short email to follow up on my email from last week. Sport NI last week announced the details for their £25 million sports sustainability grant to help governing bodies and their affiliated clubs with the impact of covid-19. This is welcomed news for the whole sports sector as it has been a challenging time since March. The funding grant is open to governing bodies and clubs and any club that wishes to apply must apply through their governing body. Any application direct from a club to Sport NI will not be accepted.

I have included links below to the relevant sections of the Sport NI website for you to gain more information on the grant and the process. I would like to highlight one area in terms of what any club that wishes to apply will need to submit:

***Eligible clubs must submit the following documentation to their governing body to support the application process:***

***• Application Form (Microsoft Excel spreadsheet)***

***• Approved  annual accounts for the last 3 financial years e.g. 2017, 2018 and 2019***

***• Approved management accounts for the period 1 April – 31 December 2020***

***• Approved projected figures for 1 January – 31 March 2021***

***• Copy of a bank statement dated within the last 3 months***

[Sports Sustainability Fund | Sport NI](http://www.sportni.net/funding/our-funding-programmes/sports-sustainability-fund/)

[Affiliated-Clubs-Entities\_compressed.pdf (sportni.net)](http://www.sportni.net/sportni/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Affiliated-Clubs-Entities_compressed.pdf)

Any club that is interested in applying through Ulster Badminton should email me expressing their interest by Wednesday 16th December 2020 at the latest. Please bear in mind that the closing date for this fund is the **11th January 2021** so turn around for information will be extremely tight so any club applying with need to get all required documentation to us prior to this date to allow us time to include it in our submission. Further details on dates will be made available to clubs following the expression of interest.

Can I also remind you that our own **Club Grant funding programme closes on Friday 18th December 2020 with clubs able to apply for £500 of funding support**. If you have not yet completed your club development plan and submitted it to me and are interested in this please then do so asap.

Kind Regards

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