

Sport & Physical Activity Sector Support

November 2021

Retrain to Retain

Support available for **Volunteer Coaches**, this includes access to:

- a subscription to UK Coaching Club (worth £24 per year)
- the Renewal: Safeguarding & Protecting Children (Digital Kids option) eLearning
- the Mental Health Awareness for Sport & Physical Activity+ eLearning
- the St John Ambulance First Aid Digital Refresher eLearning. And much more!

Applications are open until **31 March 2022**, and support will be provided to the **first 25,000 eligible applicants**.

It takes less than a minute to apply and find out what level of funding you can access as part of the programme.

APPLY NOW

Support Available for **Employed Coaches and Fitness Professionals**

If you are a paid or self-employed coach or fitness professional, you may also be eligible for wide-ranging support as part of the Sport England funded ReTrain to ReTain programme. This includes access to a range of benefits from UK Coaching, such as a UK Coaching Club subscription, as well as support, training, and resources from our partners CIMSPA and EMD UK.

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Essex Health Series

Active Essex is pleased to host the free, online Essex Health Series. The aim of these seminars is to provide anyone who delivers sport or physical activity with the latest information on ways to support people recovering from Covid-19, how this has impacted on those most vulnerable and opportunities for the Sport, Physical Activity and Leisure sector to support residents of Essex.



Upcoming Webinars

‘Understanding the benefits of physical activity on young people’s mental health webinar’
Thursday 25th November 2021 - 9.30-10.30am

[Book your place here.](#)

Essex Safeguarding Children Board – an introduction

Safeguarding Children in Communities

The ESCB is made up of seven agencies who are jointly responsible by law for keeping children safe (Essex County Council, Essex Police and five Clinical Commissioning Groups), as well as many other partners. The purpose of the Board is to ensure children are safeguarded and their welfare promoted through partner collaboration, information sharing and early identification of risk.

People working and volunteering with children in the community, such as sports clubs and groups, are crucial to helping identify children and young people at risk of harm and exploitation.

The ESCB website has a wealth of information for people working with children, including what to do if you're concerned about a young person, videos about risk in the community and types of exploitation on the child exploitation pages, online safety advice and lots of training opportunities (such as Safeguarding, Early Help, Trauma and Child Abuse).

Check it out now: <https://www.escb.co.uk/>



Funding

EALC - COVID-19 Grassroots Clubs and Activities Fund

This grant is designed to support small, local, not for profit voluntary groups for adults and/or youth clubs.

The grant can cover COVID-19 associated costs to assist the reopening of these groups/clubs for up to £5,000.

Deadline: Until March 2022, or until all funding has been allocated.

Apply Now: <https://www.ealc.gov.uk/covid19-grassroots-fund/>

Asda Foundation - Improve Community Buildings & Outdoor Spaces (UK)

A new grants programme to help small grassroots organisations improve local community spaces and places across the UK.

The Investing in Spaces and Places Grant will provide funding of between £5,000 and £25,000 to help with building repairs, building improvement/development, and/or outdoor improvement/development for properties which the community organisations either own or lease.

Funding will be awarded on a regional basis, with 50% match funding required.

Groups should contact their local Asda store's Community Champion to discuss their project. Nominations will be made by each local Champion by the **9th January 2022**.

Useful Links:

[Criteria and Guidance](#)

<https://www.asdafoundation.org/how-to-apply>



Central Social and Recreational Trust

Description: Grants are available for sports clubs and organisations in England to provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation for the benefit of disadvantaged children who are under the age of 21 years. Funding is available for the following:

- Equipment for the use of all members of the club.
- Maintenance of properties, as long as the property is owned by the club or there is a significant lease period.

[Click here to find out more](#)

Application deadline: none specified

Get in touch in with Active Essex

If you have any questions or require additional support from our team, please get in contact and we'll do our best to help. <https://www.activeessex.org/support-for-sport-and-activity-sector/>