SEVERN TRENT

COMMUNITY FUND

Turn a greener club idea into a funded community project.

£2k–£50k

For club secretaries and treasurers: fund a new community project with a clear local benefit.

WHAT YOUR COMMITTEE NEEDS TO SHOW

01 **Connect people, place and environment**

Evidence a real local need — and who at the club will keep the benefit going.

02 **Make water part of the story**

Ask your facilities lead about water efficiency, drainage, rivers or greener spaces.

03 **Check fit before you write**

Secretary check: not-for-profit · Severn Trent region · request is over half of total project cost.

MATURITY THEMES Blue-green · Biodiversity · Carbon · Inequalities

Official source: Severn Trent — New project funding · accessed 20 Oct 2026
stwater.co.uk/about-us/severn-trent-community-fund/new-project-funding/

SECRETARY: CHECK CRITERIA + APPLY

VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL TRUST

Improve the place your community plays.

£10k – £75k

For committees planning a physical upgrade to a community building, ground or outdoor space.

THREE CHECKS BEFORE YOUR SECRETARY APPLIES

1	**PLACE**	Facilities lead: confirm public access and use the postcode checker for your building, MUGA or ground.
2	**PEOPLE**	Club committee: consult users and show inclusion, wellbeing and meaningful volunteering.
3	**PLANET**	Grounds or facilities lead: show how the work cuts carbon or improves biodiversity.

FIRST MOVE

Run the postcode checker before asking for quotes or committing club funds.

MATURITY THEMES

Carbon · Biodiversity gain
Tackling inequalities

SCAN FOR FUNDING CRITERIA

Official source: Veolia Environmental Trust — Community Grant Funding Criteria · accessed 20 Oct 2026
veoliatrust.org/funding-criteria/community-grant-funding-criteria/

finalthird

Move from good intentions to a practical sustainability plan.

FREE DISCOVERY SESSION

SUPPORT FOR COMMITTEES, COACHES + VOLUNTEERS

TRAIN

Practical Carbon Literacy and workshops your committee, coaches and volunteers can use.

PLAN

Turn ideas from bills, travel, kit and grounds into a realistic club roadmap.

ACTIVATE

Help coaches and team managers bring members and families into the change.

EDUCATE

Sport-led sustainability programmes for community and classroom settings.

GOOD FIRST CONVERSATION

Committee lead: bring one live challenge — energy, travel, kit or grounds — to a first conversation.

MATURITY THEMES — Enabler · Carbon · Inequalities

Official source: Final Third Sport Consultancy · accessed 20 Oct 2026

finalthirdsport.co.uk/

volunteer it yourself

Fix your club space — while local young people build skills.

240+ SPORTS CLUBS + SPACES RENOVATED SINCE 2011

HOW A VIY PROJECT WORKS

01 NOMINATE THE PLACE

Secretary or facilities lead: nominate a community sports space needing essential repairs or improvement.

02 BUILD THE PARTNERSHIP

VIY brings funding partners, donated materials, trades mentors and young volunteers around the project.

03 IMPROVE BOTH PLACE + PEOPLE

Your club improves its space; young people build practical skills, confidence and employability.

POTENTIAL SCOPE

Ask your grounds or facilities lead about repairs, redecoration, insulation and accessibility.

MATURITY THEMES — Circular · Carbon · Inequalities · Enabler

Official source: VIY — Our work in sport · accessed 20 Oct 2026
volunteerityourself.org/viy-sports-partnerships/

EXPLORE SPORT PARTNERSHIPS

COMMUNITIES FUND

Could your club's next capital upgrade unlock a greener, better-used space?

UP TO

£50k

for eligible capital projects in England

GOOD FIT

- Not-for-profit club or organisation
- One identified project site
- Physical improvement works
- Materials, equipment or contractor costs

NOT COVERED

- Salaries or routine running costs
- Project management fees
- Design fees
- Multi-site programmes

POSTCODE FIRST

Secretary: check that the site is in a qualifying funding zone before your facilities lead scopes costs.

TRY THIS NEXT

Committee prompt: "We need to improve ___ so more people can ___ with less environmental impact."

MATURITY THEMES — Carbon · Biodiversity · Blue-green · Inequalities

Official source: Grantscape — SUEZ Communities Fund · accessed 20 Oct 2026

grantscape.org.uk/fund/suez-communities-fund/

SCAN FOR FUND DETAILS

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FOOTBALL REBOOTED

KEEP BOOTS IN PLAY.

Keep participation affordable — and good boots out of landfill.

MISSION

1 MILLION **pairs of boots kept in circulation, not landfill**

THREE EASY JOBS FOR YOUR CLUB TEAM

COLLECT Order a free box and nominate a visible collection point.

DONATE Ask members and families for good-quality boots and astros.

Discreetly connect players who need boots with a usable pair.

KIT LEAD: ORDER A FREE BOX

Official source: Football Rebooted · accessed 20 Oct 2026

footballrebooted.co.uk/

kitround
back in the game

HOST A KITDROP AT YOUR CLUB

MAKE YOUR CLUB A KIT DROP.

Turn unused sports kit into lower costs, less waste and more opportunities to play.

YOUR CLUB CAN BE THE COLLECTION POINT

Request a branded Kitbin for your clubhouse.

01	**REQUEST**	Club lead: ask Kitround for an indoor or outdoor Kitbin.
02	**RALLY**	Coaches and team managers invite families to donate clean, good-quality kit.
03	**SHOW IMPACT**	Kitround collects and processes the kit, then reports the campaign through kitround360.

READY TO GIVE KIT ANOTHER SEASON?

SCAN TO REQUEST A KITBIN

Official source: Kitround — Request a Kitbin · accessed 21 Oct 2026
kitround.com/pages/kitbin-request

BUSINESS SOLUTIONS FOUNDATION

Turn a practical green club project into serious backing.

UP TO £100k

Funding level depends on your organisation's size and turnover.

WHY YOUR CLUB TEAM SHOULD LOOK

LOWER COSTS Treasurer or facilities lead: efficiency and carbon projects can release budget for sport.

BETTER PLACES Grounds lead: improve outdoor environments, reduce waste or strengthen community spaces.

LOCAL IMPACT Committee: link environmental action to local skills, employment or social innovation.

CHECK THESE THREE THINGS

Secretary check: eligible organisation · 2+ years established · within 50 miles of Solihull

Maturity themes Carbon · Circular economy · Inequalities · Enabler

Official source: npower Business Solutions Foundation · accessed 20 Oct 2026

npowerbusinesssolutions.com/foundation

CHECK THE FULL ELIGIBILITY

Birmingham & Black Country Wildlife Trust

Make your club grounds work harder for nature and people.

For groundskeepers and facilities leads managing pitches, boundaries, waterways or other green space.

BASELINE

Understand the habitats already on site before volunteers change mowing, planting or drainage.

PLAN

Give the grounds team a habitat plan that fits safe play, access and maintenance capacity.

IMPROVE

Identify realistic habitat creation or restoration for a busy urban sports setting.

BEST FIRST QUESTION

Groundskeeper: “What can improve nature here without compromising safe play or access?”

MATURITY THEMES — Biodiversity · Blue-green · Inequalities

Official source: BBC Wildlife Trust — Nature Recovery Services · accessed 20 Oct 2026

bbcwildlife.org.uk/our-nature-recovery-services

GROUNDS TEAM: ASK ABOUT SUPPORT

BASIS

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR SUSTAINABLE SPORT

Measure what matters — without needing to be a carbon expert.

BEGINNER'S GUIDE FOR SPORT

A practical route for a treasurer, secretary or green champion to build a useful first footprint.

01	**UNDERSTAND**	Give the committee a plain-English reason to act — cost, resilience and responsibility.
02	**FIND SOURCES**	Facilities lead: energy and waste. Team managers: travel and equipment.
03	**MEASURE**	Secretary or green champion: use the three scopes and a method proportionate to club size.
04	**TAKE ACTION**	Committee: choose practical priorities rather than waiting for perfect data.

STARTER DATA — Treasurer: bills · team managers: travel · kit/grounds leads: equipment + waste

MATURITY THEMES — Carbon · Circular economy · Enabler

Official source: BASIS — Getting Started with Carbon Emissions · accessed 20 Oct 2026

basis.org.uk/resource/getting-started-with-carbon-emissions-a-beginners-guide-for-sport/

OPEN THE GUIDE

buddle.

FREE CLUB SUPPORT

Small club actions can cut costs, waste and carbon.

FREE GUIDANCE

Environmental sustainability guidance made practical for community sport volunteers.

PICK THE ACTION THAT MATCHES YOUR ROLE

RUN EFFICIENT FACILITIES
Facilities lead: use energy and water better; explore options such as solar where realistic.

BUY LESS. REUSE MORE.
Kit lead: extend kit life, share or swap equipment and avoid unnecessary purchases.

TRAVEL SMARTER
Coach or team manager: make shared, active or public travel easier and more inclusive.

CUT CLUB WASTE
Committee: remove single-use plastics and improve recycling at training and events.

SUPPORT NATURE
Groundskeeper: protect biodiversity and add simple habitat such as wildflowers.

BUILD THE HABIT
Green champion: choose one action, give it an owner and share progress with members.

WHY IT HELPS YOUR CLUB

Lower costs · healthier travel · better places · less waste

Best first move: take one idea to your next committee meeting and name the volunteer who can lead it.

Official source: Buddle — Environmental sustainability · accessed 21 Oct 2026
buddle.co/learning-and-support-resources/environmental-sustainability

OPEN BUDDLE'S GREEN GUIDANCE

SPORT ENGLAND

EVERY MOVE FUNDING

Fund your club's next greener move.

£300–£15k

For committees with a project that improves sustainability and creates more chances to be active.

THE FUND BACKS BOTH SIDES OF THE IDEA

GREENER SPORT

Facilities or grounds lead: cut energy/travel emissions, reduce waste, improve nature or pitch resilience.

MORE PEOPLE ACTIVE

Coach, welfare or inclusion lead: show who gets a new or safer chance to take part.

STRONGEST APPLICATION

Secretary: combine one environmental action, one participation benefit and a realistic 12-month plan.

UP TO £16M reserved within the Movement Fund for green sport initiatives.

Treasurer: allow at least 12 weeks before spending · no submission deadline.

SECRETARY: CHECK + APPLY

Official source: Sport England — Movement Fund · accessed 20 Oct 2026

sportengland.org/funding-and-campaigns/our-funding/movement-fund