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Dear Member,

Financial Assistance to clubs

Find enclosed an email from Mike Appleby, The FA Leagues Manager, advising of new funding for clubs playing at step 6 and below of the National League System.

It would be beneficial to Lancashire FA affiliated clubs if we can promote the available grant aid. When you attend a League meeting in your Divisional Area when clubs are present, please circulate the information so that the interested clubs can take up the opportunity of improving their facilities via the funding opportunity.

We will also download the details onto the Lancashire FA website and add the information to the December newsletter.

Yours sincerely

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David Burgess

From: Mike Appleby
Sent: 29 November 2007 12:11
Cc: Penny Kift
Subject: Financial Assistance to Clubs

Dear Colleagues

I am delighted to advise you that the Trustees of the FA National Sports Centre Trust recently agreed to set up a new grant aid scheme for clubs playing at Step 6 and below of the National League System. This would obviously also include clubs currently playing in leagues not part of the National League System.

The scheme will provide funding towards the cost of the following projects:

- Installation of floodlights
- New or improvements to Dressing Rooms

The maximum grant will be £10,000 and can be used as partnership funding for clubs seeking financial assistance from other funding agencies such as the Football Foundation.

An applicants County FA and league will be asked to "sign-off" an application.

Application forms are available from Soho Square.

It would be appreciated if you would advertise this new source of funding within your membership with a request that they register their interest by email to me on mike.appleby@thefa.com and I will arrange for the application form to be sent to them.

I hope that you will agree that this will be a welcome boost to clubs seeking to improve their facilities especially now that the Football Foundation have reduced the % level of funding available to clubs.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information on this matter

Regards

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