

### **Be TT Year 3 Programme**

Table Tennis England recognise that the future growth, delivery and development of our sport relies on our proactive clubs, leagues, coaches, volunteers and officials.

Be TT is our enhanced club and league development programme, guided by national and local insight as well as the sharing of good practice from all over the country, to support and improve the experience of all those involved in our clubs and leagues. More about the Be TT programme, Year 1 and Year 2 as well as insight guides can be found [here](#).

Be TT has so far engaged 3235 weekly participants, 930 female and 2156 male through 128 projects delivering 233 interventions. Following on from Year 1 which supported over 60 clubs and leagues, Year 2 supported applications focused on new competition formats, female participation and adult coaching. As a result of Year 2 we have supported 61 clubs and leagues engaging 1553 participants, 474 of those being female, through short format leagues engaging 333 participants, 134 through women and girls programmes and 106 through adult coaching as well as 57 thorough workforce support, 559 through junior leagues and 151 through the newly launched Bat and Chat programme.

Our year 3 Be TT programme is now open for applications. Following a review of Year 2 and referring to the participation strategy we are aiming to achieve, we are accepting applications on the below focus areas:

#### **1. Short format leagues**

Aiming to increase the number of player members in our clubs, leagues, and competitions. We are keen to fund project applications from leagues that develop and provide short format leagues offering a more flexible competitive playing opportunity for existing members, and/or provide a transition route for new players into competitive play. We are particularly keen to build on adult shorter format leagues and junior leagues that have been established across the country in the first and second year of Be TT.

The focus of this area is predominantly at league applications. However, if clubs are keen to apply for this focus, we would look for clubs in their applications to show how their project works with and compliments the existing local league activity to provide a different type of competitive opportunity that is not currently catered for.

Please [click here](#) for a Year 2 Short Format league case study.

#### **2. Female Participation**

We are looking for projects which will increase female participation within our clubs/leagues, and aim to transition those females into Table Tennis England associate and player membership. The Women and Girls Action plan has launched with the objective of supporting the below areas:

- Increase player membership from 10% to 15% - 2460 – 2869
- Increase amount of licensed and active female coaches
- Improve and establish the visibility and community of all females involved in Table Tennis.
- Develop National Partnerships to increase our exposure to new audiences.

We encourage clubs and leagues to submit applications that support the growth and achieving the above key target areas.

Please [click here](#) for a W&G Be TT case study.

### 3. U11

We are looking for applications that will increase participation of U11 membership within our clubs and leagues, building our junior membership, supporting the future development of our sport. This application does not have to be TT Kidz focused but as TT Kidz will be opening for applications soon, we are keen and happy to work with groups who will use the funding to:

- Support the club to build a suitable workforce or environment for U11 members
- Support a club after the TT Kidz programme has finished, either supporting the transition from a school environment into the club, or to help a club continue the session after the initial 8 weeks of the programme.
- Support the marketing, workforce upskilling linked to the delivery of the TT Kidz programme at your club.

Please [click here](#) to find more about the TT Kidz programme.

#### **Who can apply?**

Clubs and Leagues can become involved in one of the following ways:

- An individual Premier club, keen to develop their current table tennis offer
- A local league that is keen to develop and improve their table tennis offer
- A group of clubs and or league coming together to work collaboratively to develop the sport within their own club/area. This could be a group of local clubs of varying sizes or a network of clubs from various geographic areas

#### **Is my club or league eligible to apply for Be TT funding?**

Clubs or leagues that wish to apply for year 3 Be TT funding ideally will have or show they are in a position to have the following key areas in place:

- A licensed coach to deliver any coaching sessions
- A volunteer and coaching workforce in place that are keen to develop, try new things and pilot new initiatives, where appropriate
- Access to a venue(s) that has a minimum of three tables
- If a club, should hold Premier Club status or have a commitment to become part of the programme before the project commences. For more information on the Premier Club programme, please [click here](#).

#### **How to apply**

Please apply by completing the google form application form. Link is here:

<https://goo.gl/forms/FtHyk9DFT0ryssyF2>

We recommend printing off a hard copy of the form ([download here](#)), to help draft your answers and note your funding requirements before submitting your application. You will receive a copy via email once submitted.

Funding applications should focus on the 3 key themes listed and include sustainability into the project application, as more funding will not be given to continue the project in Year 3.

Previous Be TT applicants are eligible to apply for year 3 funding, but only for projects which have not been funded before.

Funding amounts we award will be assessed on an individual project basis, although we suggest that projects should keep their applications within a £250-£750 range. We encourage applicants to use other local partnership funding sources to help supplement projects where needed.

**Deadline for applications is Friday 24th May.**

If you wish to discuss your application before submission please contact the development officer for your area ([click here](#))