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Chairman, Ely Table Tennis Club

Table Tennis Club Development

Table Tennis England approached Living Sport to support them locally to understand their club development needs, and to provide them with local insight into Cambridgeshire and Peterborough.

Table Tennis England Club Database information  
Living Sport Officer capacity and resources  
Living Sport access to funding and local partnership contacts

- 30 Table Tennis Clubs in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough were offered 121 Club Audits to help them identify what their club requires to strengthen and develop and to provide insight to Table Tennis England. 12 audits have been undertaken so far.
- Initial findings from the audits suggest: 91% of the clubs want to expand and 100% are interested in attracting beginners and 91% interested in attracting women. The main priorities for the clubs were increasing participation socially, with young people, competition, as well as facility improvements. 91% require more volunteers specifically within the committee, coaching and administration. Amongst the 12 clubs audited they have 17 coaches ranging from L1 –L4, 77 tables and 387 members, 16% of which are juniors. Only 16% of the their coaches have experience of coaching those with disabilities. Only one club has Club Mark and50% have school club links.
- A full report of local insight from clubs will be presented to Table Tennis England Area Development Lead and Coach Development Manager in March 2016, allowing an insight led approach to engaging and developing clubs locally to drive participation.

£200 Community Small Grant for equipment at Soham Comrades TTC Club, expecting to gain 25 participants

£300 Coach Bursary to upskill Level 1 coach at Archway PE1 TT Club, expecting 10-15 new participants

Linked with Ability Plus group to develop St. Neots TTC sessions at Papworth Everard Village Hall. Gaining 6 sustained participants

3 clubs attending Your Club Matters forums, improving their club development

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