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INTRODUCTION

Football is everywhere! This is the arena in which Ambassadors Football are involved. Our vision is to be a 'premier Christian agent of transformation in the football community, serving with excellence in all levels of football involvement.' Our dream is to see the lives of individuals and communities positively changed and transformed through football.

Integral to this transformation is the church, which is strategically placed within these communities. With a huge volunteer base at its disposal it has an amazing heritage with its role in the development of football. Ambassadors Football partners with local churches, football clubs and other organisations across the UK, to deliver outreach football schools aimed at playing a part in transforming communities.

Football Schools provide the opportunity to work with developing footballers [usually 7-14yrs old], by giving them the chance to play and compete in a fun, safe and positive environment, whilst demonstrating core sports ethics of fair-play and sportsmanship.

What makes an Ambassadors Football school unique is that we combine this professional approach to coaching with Bible teaching. Throughout every football school, children get to explore some of the Bible's greatest characters, applying what we learn to our everyday lives, as well as hearing a relevant Gospel message.

The purpose of this information pack is to give you, the reader, a deeper understanding of what's involved in hosting an Ambassadors Football School, as well as outlining some important issues to consider in planning a successful event.

If you've had the idea of running a football school as a community outreach project or you've already seen one in action and have a fair idea of what's involved, there has to be a starting point, somewhere to get your thoughts in order and come up with a sound plan.

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"Before this week I didn't believe there was a God...now I'm starting to believe there is"

*SOCCER SCHOOL CHILD,
AGED 12*

WHERE TO START

PRAYER

As with any ministry prayer must be the under-riding factor. Human plans can fail, but God's plans will remain firm and steadfast. If God says run a Soccer School then find a prayer warrior who will lead prayer before, during and after the event. Have a prayer team in place and get the church praying for the event. You don't have to be able to coach to be involved!

“Flexible, friendly, encouraging, experienced, brilliant with kids and very professional throughout.”

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CHURCH SUPPORT

The goal of a ministry should be to see new Christians grow and mature in their faith. For this reason it is most valuable when a church (or churches working together) can sponsor, support and promote an outreach such as a soccer school.

Church support can provide:

- prayer cover - for coaches, for the children, for the gospel witness
- coaches or helpers for the soccer school
- people to help with the administration work load
- vision and encouragement.

A soccer school is much more effective if it has these things.

PARTNERSHIPS

At this stage it might be worth considering whether there are other churches who share the same vision and passion for reaching out through football. Benefits to working in partnership include:

- The cost of the soccer school can be split between the churches.
- There are greater opportunities to spread the word about the soccer school. There is also potential for wider advertising in schools.
- Greater access to local voluntary help at the soccer school – people to build friendships with the children and families, which can be continued after the soccer school.

When working in partnership with other churches/ agencies, clear and regular communication is vital for success. Areas include:

- Roles and responsibilities – how to ensure each of the churches are actively involved. Also who is responsible for which task, e.g. booking the facilities
- Costs – how would they be split between the churches?

Follow up – Would families be contacted by the church nearest to their home, or receive a general invite informing them of what's coming up at each of the partner churches?

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Though the church has 'ownership' of a project, only the few will be 'doing'. Our encouragement is not to 'do' on your own, but to build a leadership team of Christians who have a similar vision, a similar interest and an excitement for service. The benefits are that responsibilities can be shared, ideas and decisions can be talked and discussed through, and there is support and encouragement for all involved.

Ideally your Leadership Team that will arrange the Soccer School will contain the following:

- The Key Person (You?)
- A Prayer Warrior
- An Administrator
- Someone from another Church
- A young sporty person who can be disciplined and trained to take over in the future
- An assistant to the key person (someone who also knows everything that is happening)

“My son has been going through a phase of not wanting to go to church. This week, though, he's come home every day telling us about the bible stories and wanting to pray!”

SOCCER SCHOOL PARENT

WHY?

Perhaps the most important questions to consider (which you've hopefully already addressed) are, 'why do I want to hold a football school?' and, 'Can a football school fit into the wider aims of the church?' By answering these questions early on, it will help to establish short and long-term aims, enabling you to structure your football school accordingly. Clear aims also help in the planning stages, giving something clear to work towards as well as giving a basis for evaluation following the event.

WHO?

This next question can be split into two sections: i) Who are we trying to reach?; and ii) Who is available to provide the staff?

Who are we trying to reach?

The answer to this question will obviously regulate who may attend the event and can be referred to as the 'Target Group'. The target group can be defined by factors such as age, gender, location and skill level. Do you already have a specific group of children in mind? Do you want to limit attendance to that group or open the event to a wider audience?

Who is available to provide the staff?

At any Ambassadors Football school, we endeavour to provide a minimum of 2 F.A. qualified coaches and enough coaches to maintain a ratio of 1 coach to every 8-10 children. One of our experienced staff

would take overall responsibility for organising the staff and leading the week.

From our experience, however, a major element in the success of a football school is the level of church involvement. Any volunteers who can act either as coaches, assistant coaches or helpers add to the impact a football school can have on the community. As well as adding to the level of 'ownership' the church has on the event, having people from the church involved can give a familiar face for children and families when they come to other events and services throughout the year. Friendships developed with the children during the soccer school can be continued at other points throughout the year aiding in the follow up to the event.

Sometimes who is available can influence the target group as some people can be

"As a result of the week we have made numerous new contacts with local families and we already have reason to believe that our ongoing work has and will inevitably benefit from the time and effort invested - thank you"

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more gifted and passionate about young children, whereas others are better with teenagers.

WHEN?

In determining the best time to hold the football school, the question of when the target group is most available needs to be addressed. Normally this is either during holidays or at weekends – whenever the children are not in school. Some other factors to consider, however, are whether there are any events that the football school can tie in with or build up to? For example, is your church already planning another outreach event? Are there any major football events happening at key times in the year? (e.g. World Cup, Euro Championships, F.A. Cup final?).

Just as tying in with other events may enhance a football school, other events that clash yours may limit the numbers that attend. For example, is the local council running any inexpensive holiday play schemes? It is important to do some research concerning potential

'competitors' to your football school, in order that you don't end up with limited numbers.

Thought should also be given to how much time is required for effective planning of the football school. How much time do you need to publicise the event?

WHERE?

It's time to think about the where. There are some further questions for us to address in this section which are as follows:

1. What Facilities are Needed?

The following is an example of facilities needed for a football school:

- Some kind of playing field (either grass or Astroturf)
- Toilet and changing facilities
- Litter bins
- Access to a sports hall in case of wet weather
- A large meeting room (such as a hall or large class room, which could be a sports hall)
- Some smaller rooms (if available) for bible times



In our experience, the best facilities are often schools, as they have all the above in the one location. The disadvantage, however, is that the children don't ever come into the church building, unless a special arrangement is made such as on a football weekend, where the prizes are given out during a church service.

Below is a rough guide as to how many teams in any given age-group can *comfortably* use half a football pitch (approx. 60 yards by 50 yards) for a coaching session.

	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Academy
Number of Teams	4	4	2	2
Number of players	Up to 32	Up to 32	Up to 18	Up to 18

2. Cost?

Cost is obviously a major factor in deciding on a venue. Some questions to consider might be, does the church have an existing relationship with a school? What kind of budget do you have for the football school? Is there any council or other funding available to help cover the costs of the facilities? Is there a local business that might help to fund the hiring of facilities?

3. Does the Venue meet the target group?

Are the facilities well placed for both the church and the target group? Are they accessible for those children you want to be there? For example, it wouldn't be too wise to be targeting children from a run down estate in one part of a city and then hire facilities on the other side of town.

Good facilities can enhance the look of a football school, adding credibility to what you're doing. However, sometimes the best facilities are those that are simply on the doorstep of the children you are trying to reach.

WHAT?

Another consideration when looking to run a football school programme is what format the event takes on. The format of the football school may be limited by the facilities available and will be influenced by all the factors considered so far. Some good advice may be to start small – to run a relatively small event well, learn from the experience and create for yourself a platform on which to build.

Whatever the format, the aim with any outreach football school should be the same...to serve the community with excellence, demonstrating Christ's love and preaching the Gospel.

Some example formats are as follows:

“Top Quality coaching, from committed and fun coaches who are great witnesses and role models. Our kids love it and come back year after year.”

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“I love what we do out on the field, the bible times and the coaches...I've loved everything about this week!”

SOCCER SCHOOL CHILD, AGED 12

FOOTBALL WEEKEND

If you're not sure you have the finances, the man-power or the time to run a football school during the school holidays, then a Football Weekend might be just the thing for you. As the name suggests, Football Weekends are typically run over a Friday evening, all day Saturday and Sunday afternoon. The great advantage of a Football Weekend is that families can be invited to watch their children take part in competitions on the Sunday afternoon and then invited back to an evening service, during which the awards and prizes are given out.

It's been our experience on this type of event, that churches see a great number of people who have had no contact with the church previously, occupying their pews and taking part in their service. Churches have even had parents of the children that came, attend Alpha courses as a result.

HALF-DAY

Run during mornings or afternoons, these 3 hour sessions can be run over 3,4 or 5 days during school holidays. Typically a cut-down version of a full-day football school, half-day events still contain all the elements that make up an Ambassadors Football School.

With coaching of key skills (such as passing, dribbling and shooting), fun games, competitions, matches and relevant bible teaching, half-day events are fun-filled and action-packed. They also require a little less planning and financial commitment, so could be a good starting point for a school holiday outreach.

FULL-DAY

The original Ambassadors Football School format, the full-day event can last for either 4 or 5 days, usually between the hours of 10am and 3:30pm. The week is rounded off with a competition day, giving the kids the opportunity to put into practice what they have learnt, and you the church, to invite parents and families along to be a part of the fun and watch the prize-giving.

With more contact time with the children and families, greater opportunity exists to build relationships and to go a little deeper in the interactive bible times. What you do with the contact made with local families is up to you.

FINANCE & BUDGETING

FOOTBALL SCHOOL COSTS

As well as the costs of hiring the Ambassadors team, some other important costs should be considered. As mentioned earlier, facilities will more than likely come with a cost be it for a caretaker to open up and lock up at a school; or for the hiring of an astro-turf at a leisure centre. Do take the time to research the costs of facilities in the local area, and if possible look at two or three different options.

Together with the venue, some other costs to consider would be:

- The cost of publicising and promoting the event (e.g. leaflets & posters, adverts in local newspapers/ on the radio)
- The cost of providing any refreshments for the children
- The cost of providing lunch for the coaches

MEETING THE COSTS

Once you have an idea of all the costs involved with hosting the soccer school, some time will need to be spent thinking through the different options of meeting those costs. As a soccer school host church, there are several options available, which include:

- Charging the families a set amount for the soccer school in order to cover all costs
- Charging the families a set amount to cover some of the costs and the church makes up the rest (either from an events budget or by holding a fund raising event)
- Applying for grants or funding to help subsidise the cost of the week (*see the section on funding for some advice on how to go about finding it*)
- Find sponsorship from local people/ businesses to enable children from a poorer area to be able to come

In order to decide on how much to charge each child, simply divide the total costs by the maximum number of children. However, it's worth considering the question, "What if we don't get the maximum number?" Once you've calculated the cost per child based on the maximum number, it might be worth adding a little extra/ rounding the figure up in order to provide a little safety net.

In order to develop a good working partnership, it is important to address early which party will be responsible for which aspect of the planning, preparation and delivery of the football school. This is something which should be discussed and finalised soon after booking, but as a guide, please see a list of responsibilities that would be the norm for a football school.

FOOTBALL SCHOOL AGREEMENT

SECTION 1 - Ambassadors Football Responsibilities

1. Staff:

- a - Ambassadors will provide a minimum of 1 full-time staff member for the football school who will usually take on the role of on-site coordinator and oversee the event. Any other coaches provided by Ambassadors will, as a minimum, hold a relevant coaching qualification, together with a recent DBS check.
- b - Ambassadors will work together with the church to provide enough coaches and helpers to maintain a ratio of 1 coach to a maximum of 10 children. Where possible, every effort will be made to maintain a ratio of 1 coach to every 8 children.
- c - It will be the responsibility of the Ambassadors Football School Coordinator, together with the contact person from the partner church, to ensure that all coaching staff and helpers hold up to date DBS checks, in accordance with the church's child protection policy.
- d - Ambassadors will ensure that a member of the coaching team holds an up-to-date and relevant First Aid qualification.
- e - A t-shirt will be provided by Ambassadors to all coaches and helpers.

2. Materials:

- a - Ambassadors will provide and lead all coaching & Bible time teaching materials for the football school.
- b - In addition, Ambassadors will provide the contact person from the partner church with a 'Partner Church Handbook' together with templates for a football school leaflet and registration form, poster and response letter.
- c - The Football School Coordinator from Ambassadors will work with the partner church to provide a programme for the event, which will be geared, where possible, towards the aims and objectives of the church.

3. Equipment:

- a - Ambassadors will provide all equipment necessary for the football school (i.e. bibs, cones, first aid kits, goals etc) unless agreed otherwise by the church.
- b - Should a church select a Bronze level event, Ambassadors will provide footballs which will not be given out at the end of the event.

4. Additional:

- a - Ambassadors will assume final planning and decision-making responsibility for the football school.
- b - The Ambassadors Football School Coordinator is the designated on-site Coordinator and will have authority over all activities.
- c - Ambassadors will be open to all ideas and suggestions to change the program to best serve each partner church.
- d - Safety is of primary importance, therefore Ambassadors will work with the partner church to develop an Emergency Action Plan for each event. Ambassadors will follow all procedures and policies as laid out in the Ambassadors Good Practice Guidelines and F.A. Coaches Code of Conduct (see page 14 of the Partner Church Handbook).

SECTION 2 - Partner Church Responsibilities

2.1 - Church Leadership team:

- a - it is the responsibility of the church to find a suitable local coordinator (e.g. a youth-worker), together with a leadership team to help with the planning, delivery and follow-up of the football school.
- b - One of the duties of this group will be to establish long and short-term aims for the football school, together with praying through/ planning any follow-up activities.
- c - it is also strongly recommended that the church provide some volunteer coaches/ helpers according to their gifting/ experience. These people will provide an essential link for the children and families once the football school is finished.

2.2 - Facilities:

- a - the partner church will be responsible for finding, booking and paying for (where necessary) suitable facilities to hold the event.
- b - As a minimum, this should include:
 - i - a suitable playing area, big enough for the target number of children
 - ii - easy access to toilets
 - iii - an indoor area to use as a meeting room, for bible times and in case of wet weather.

For further guidance, please refer to the Partner Church Handbook

2.3 - Insurance:

- a - Ambassadors Football holds insurance to cover its activities, however the church should investigate whether it's policy will cover the event and if not, whether any insurance needs to be modified/ purchased.

2.4 - Housing:

- a - Where needed, the church will be responsible for finding host families for each of the Ambassadors coaches travelling to the football school.
- b - Hosts will be responsible for providing breakfast and an evening meal each day. The church will be responsible for providing lunch for the coaching team each day.
- c - The church may wish to find further people who are not hosting any coaches, but are willing to host the football school coaching team for an evening meal during the event.

2.5 - Cost:

- a - Prices for football schools are laid out in the 'Football School Prices 2014' document, a copy of which will be provided.
- b - The price for any football school carries a 'base-cost' (i.e. The *minimum* amount payable for the football school) which is payable for up to 20 children attending even if less than 20 children attend. If more than 20 children attend the football school, the cost of the event is based on a price per head for the number that attend. For details of what the prices include, please see Section 3 - Other Details
- c - all prices *do not include* the cost of travel for the Ambassadors team, which will be added on to the final invoice.
- d - It is down to the partner church to decide how much to charge per child.

2.6 - Deposits:

- a - All bookings require a deposit in order to be confirmed. Until a deposit is paid in full, Ambassadors reserves the right to take other bookings on the chosen dates. All deposits are based on a % of the estimated total bill (based on a target number from the church). See price list for details.
- b - Deposits are payable a minimum of 8 weeks prior to the football school and are non-refundable in the event of cancellation.
- c - Any deposits paid will be deducted from the final invoice.

2.7 - Payment Schedule:

- a - Deposits should be paid as soon after submitting a booking form as possible, and no later than 8 weeks prior to the football school.
- b - The final balance is payable following the completion of the football school.

2.8 - Publicity:

- a - It is the responsibility of the partner church to publicise and promote the football school. Begin EARLY and be CREATIVE! Please refer to the Partner Church Handbook for ideas.

2.9 - Registration:

- a - The partner church will be responsible for registering the children before the football school begins.
- b - The partner church will also...
 - i - collect payment from the parents before the start of the football school,
 - ii - ensure every child has a completed registration form, including details of any medical conditions we need to be aware of and how the child will leave at the end of each day,
 - iii - ensure that all parents have signed the 'parental consent' section of the form.

SECTION 3 - Other details

3.1 - Bronze event prices include...

- a - The cost of the Ambassadors team
- b - Competition trophies & medals
- c - A Certificate of completion for each child
- d - All bible time materials
- e - Publicity templates (e.g. leaflet & poster)
- f - it does NOT include travel costs for the Ambassadors team, which will be added to the final invoice.

3.2 - Silver event prices include...

- a - All the features of the bronze event, plus...
- b - Memory verse prizes
- c - A t-shirt for all coaches & helpers
- d - Brand new footballs that are used for the football school and then given away to the children at the end of the event.

3.3 - Gold event prices include...

- a - All the features of the bronze & silver events, plus...
- b - A football school t-shirt for every child with the Ambassadors Football logo to the front and the bible time logo to the rear.

3.4 - Travel Costs

- a - Ambassadors endeavours to keep travel costs to the lowest reasonable amount possible.
- b - An estimate of travel costs can be given prior to the football school, however exact travel costs cannot be calculated until after the event.
- c - Travel costs will be added to the final invoice after the event.

"I don't think you can improve on such a brilliant week. Your care, flexibility, professionalism and servant hearts are exemplary! Thank you so much."

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Once all the necessary details are in place such as the who, what, when, where and why of the football school, we can set about the important task of publicising the event. In this section you will find a host of ideas about how to get the word out about your football school, but how and where this is done ultimately depends on your target group.

LEAFLET & BOOKING FORM

Perhaps the main promotional tool to be used, Ambassadors can provide a leaflet template with all the relevant details which you can then choose to print professionally or simply photocopy and distribute.

Getting the leaflets out:

In order to get the word out and distribute the leaflets, any or all of the following ways could be used:-

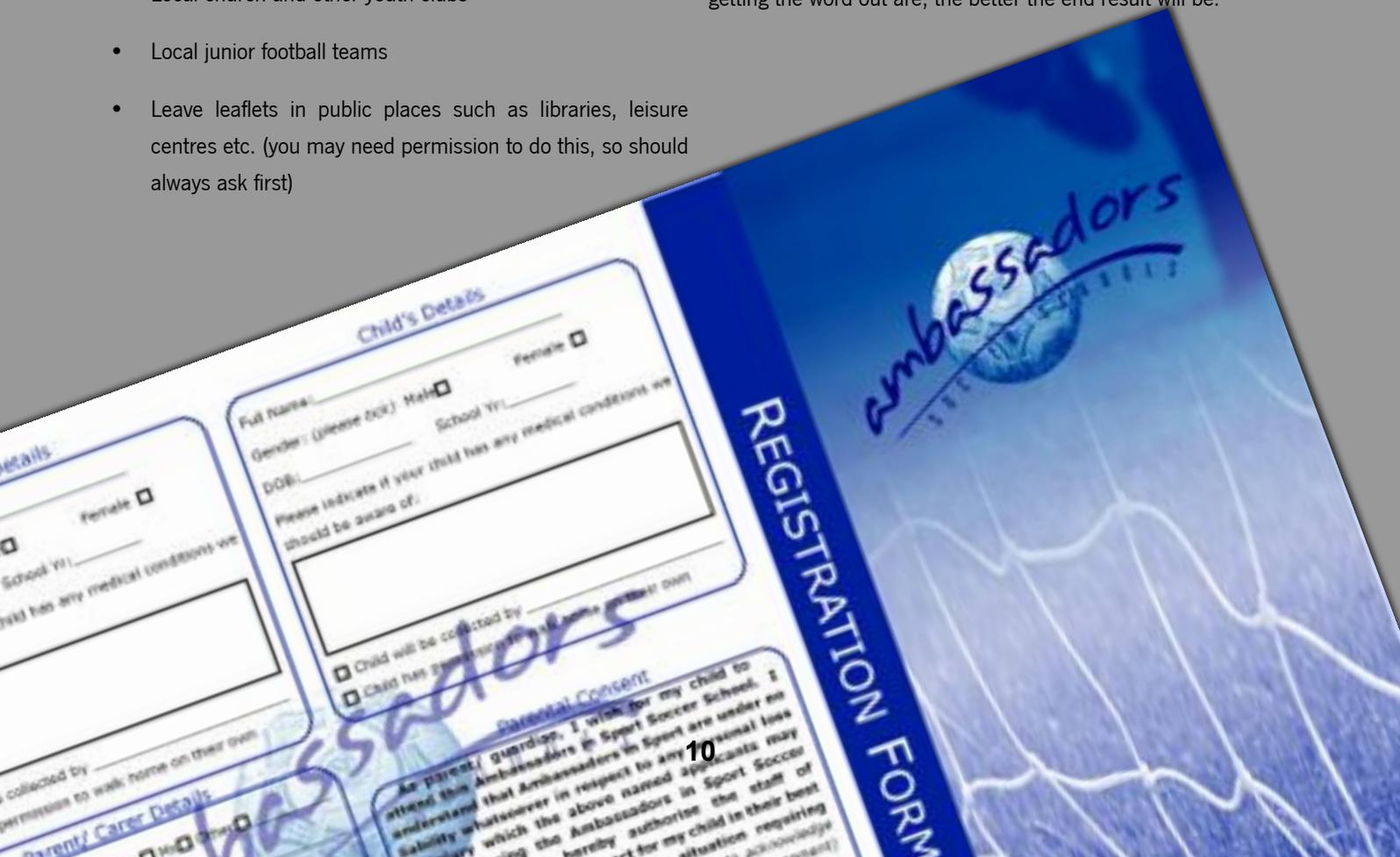
- Distribute amongst the local schools
- Any lunchtime/ after school clubs that you or some one you know is involved with
- Local church and other youth clubs
- Local junior football teams
- Leave leaflets in public places such as libraries, leisure centres etc. (you may need permission to do this, so should always ask first)

OTHER IDEAS

There are many other ways in which you can get the word out about the football school besides a leaflet, some of which are listed below. A good question to consider would be, 'Are there any key people I know, who can help?', such as teachers, ministers, youth workers, junior football team managers etc.

- Taking assemblies and P.E. lessons
- Posters in key places such as school notice boards and other local public places
- Media – e.g. an advert in the local press
- Putting an advert on the screen savers of the school computers (this has been used before – with the permission of the school I.T. managers of course!!)
- Publicising at the front of church during a service (be creative in how you do this)

The *earlier* you start, the more *creative* and *strategic* the ways of getting the word out are, the better the end result will be.



A big question that may well come up in planning a football school is, how can we make the event more accessible to people in the local community. There are a number of options in making the event more affordable for the families in the community, the first of which is subsidies from the church. If your church is not in a position to be able to do this and opportunities for fund-raising events are quite limited, there are a number of options for seeking outside funding.

Perhaps a good starting point would be local businesses. Often you will find that businesses give a certain proportion of their profits to good causes, and a local business might well be interested in sponsoring an event like a football school in order to find extra business. Do you know of any local Christians who run businesses that might be interested in helping?

The next option is to seek funding from the multitude of trusts and other grant-giving bodies that exist in the UK. But where do you start and how do you go about applying for such funding? The answer to that question is what this section aims to address.

THE STARTING POINT

As with the whole project, the best place to start is prayer. Again, by seeking God's heart and His purposes, and by continually bringing the project before Him, He can open doors in places we never anticipated.

As you pray through the football school and finding funding, spend time answering the questions, "What do I want funding for?" and, "How can this project meet a need in the local community?" By answering these questions, you can save a lot of time and effort in seeking funding for your project.

A good place to begin finding details of funding agencies would be the local library, as they often have a few reference books which have this sort of information.

LIMITATIONS TO FUNDING

There are restrictions that come with funding, which can be split into two main categories, firstly restrictions laid out by the funding body, and second, your own restrictions.

Restrictions from Funding Agencies

As with any kind of funding, there will be restrictions laid out by the funding agency, which cover aspects such as who may or may not apply. It is important to get a grasp of what the agency will and will not fund, and where your project fits into these areas. Another key restriction to look for is when applications can be made. Often, there will be a closing date for applications, along with a restriction on how often a particular person or group can apply. For example, some agencies will only allow you to put one application in per year, whereas others may stipulate that successful applicants cannot apply within a specified period of the grant being awarded.

It is important to note that a lot of funding agencies will not accept applications for projects which promote a particular faith or religion.

Restrictions from yourself/ the church

Often there will be limitations set out by the church/ yourself/ both about who you can't apply to. More often than not, this is due to the source of funding, whereby the agency is directly funded by sources such as the lottery, gambling, tobacco or unethical companies. Be sure to do your homework on the funding agency as they will more often than not explain where their funding comes from. We suggest you check what your Church's rules are on funding before applying.

ADVICE ON APPLICATIONS

Once you think you've found a potential source of funding, writing a good application will be vital in being awarded the grant. Be sure to spend time going through your application 'dotting the I's and crossing the T's, paying attention to things like spelling and grammar. Make sure you fill out all of the form and the information you enter is correct, especially your contact details. An application form that has clear and readable explanations and clearly states what you want will be more likely to succeed than applications that include irrelevant information.

Once you've decided you want to run a football school and have come up with some short and long-term aims for the event, some thought needs to be given to follow-up. It's important that you plan effectively how you can follow up the children who make decisions to follow Christ or are interested in knowing more as well as new contacts made in the community. Follow-up shouldn't be an afterthought, but an important factor in the overall vision and strategy of the event. Therefore be proactive, not reactive – pray for and expect a proportion of children to make some kind of response during the event. It is after the event that the church people who have been involved in the week become key.

In planning your follow-up to the football school, think through questions such as the following:-

- How can we maintain contact with each child/ young person?
- How can we integrate them into church life and the body of believers?
- How can we get them involved with people of a similar age, family situation etc.?
- How can we disciple them?
- How can we best pray for them regularly?
- How can we build friendships with the whole family?
- Can we continue to use football as a means of contact with the young people?

Some ideas that have been used in the past to follow-up the children who attended a football school are listed below. The key is to find what works best in your area, for the children and families you're trying to reach.

- Invite the children to attend existing youth clubs and events at the church
- Invite all the families along to family fun-days and other events (e.g. special family services) at the church
- Start a once a week football night for those who attended the football school, which could include coaching, fun-games, matches, tournaments, bible studies, talks and testimonies etc.
- Start a junior football team for a specific age e.g. under 9's
- Run a community football tournament for the young people in the local area, including a testimony and talk before the presentations
- If a major tournament such as the World Cup is running, show some England games at the church and make it a family event etc.

A great challenge when thinking through follow-up can be found in 1 Thessalonians 2:8, *"We loved you so much that we were very delighted to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us."* Make your investment in the children and families from your community a long-term one.

"This has been the best week of my life!!"

SOCCER SCHOOL CHILD, AGED 10

AMBASSADORS GOOD PRACTICE GUIDELINES

For all staff and assistants working with children and young people

Reviewed before each event.

COACHING STAFF SHOULD ENSURE THAT...

- they arrive in plenty of time to set up for each day and greet the children and families.
- all facilities are checked for health and safety issues.....
 - fields cleared of sharp objects, debris, potholes, etc
 - small goals pinned to the ground
 - access/exits to the buildings are safe, clear of clutter and well lit
- as far as possible a worker is not alone with a child where their activity cannot be seen. In a building this may mean leaving doors open, or two groups working in the same room.
- a child is never left alone unless both the child's coach and the football school director deem the action appropriate, e.g. misbehaviour, resting due to injury.
- they send the children off with parents at the end of each day, leaving the facility in a neat and tidy condition.

THE COACH SHOULD...

- Treat all children/young people with respect and dignity befitting their age— make sure language, tone of voice and any physical contact is appropriate.
- Not engage in any of the following:
 - invading the privacy of children when they are showering or toileting,
 - rough physical or sexually provocative games, making sexually suggestive comments about or to a young person even in fun, inappropriate and intrusive touching of any form,
 - any scapegoating, ridiculing, or rejecting a child/young person.
- Control and discipline their groups in an appropriate manner without physical punishment or verbal abuse.
- Control his/her group during coaching session at all times i.e. no free shooting on goal, no aimless kicking of balls, etc.
- Make sure that he/she is aware of the location of each child in their group at all times.
- Not play or demonstrate against any child.
- Not invite a child or young person to your home or provide a lift in your car if they are alone.
- Have read and understood the FA Coaches Code of Conduct and be in agreement with the policies contained.
- Report any suspicions of child abuse to the football school director.



If you would like further information about Ambassadors Football Schools, or would like to book an event, please contact Mark Williams on 01204 363 606 ext. 209 or by email on mwilliams@ambassadorsfootball.org

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