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5th March 2021

Dear [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] | **Funding Outcome Letter | Boreham Wood FC**

Thank you very much for applying to the Sports Winter Survival Package (SWSP).

We have assessed your application for funding against the criteria to determine the extent to which it supports the delivery of the SWSP programme objectives outlined below.

- ensure as many sports or sports clubs survive the period of coronavirus restrictions currently in place over the winter period which prevent spectators from attending professional sports competition
- minimise the long-term damage to participation through safeguarding investment into grassroots community activity and women's sport.

Based on that assessment unfortunately we are not able to offer funding towards your organisation on this occasion.

The reason for this decision is the extent to which you meet the financial resilience and sustainability criteria. Specifically, applicant organisations must be:

- At risk of no longer trading viably by the end of this financial year and/or failure to provide support would inflict long-term damage on the sport with associated severe consequences.

It is acknowledged the club has seen revenues fall significantly as a result of the impact of Covid. Spectator income has been hit severely, alongside the venue and 3G pitch hire. However, based on the information provided, the club has demonstrated that it has sufficient finances to enable it to survive through until to March 2022.

The Board noted that the club finds itself in this position as a result of positive action it has taken in accessing wider Government support, receiving grant investment, and most importantly its own prudent financial management which has generated a financial surplus in trading years prior to Covid.

Unfortunately to be eligible for support an organisation must have a financial need by the end of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The submission from the club indicates that there is no financial need as of this date - nor at the end of June 2021 (end of season) or by end of March 2022.

We realise you will be disappointed with this decision. If you are concerned that we have misunderstood any of the information provided, or you would like to discuss the decision further please don't hesitate to get in touch.

You can do this by contacting us at the programme inbox [wintersurvival@sportengland.org](mailto:wintersurvival@sportengland.org) where one of the team will arrange a session with the case manager.

If you do not think we have followed our published procedures correctly when assessing your application, you also have the option to register an appeal. We would be happy to discuss this with you further and we can provide you with details of the appeals procedure as required. Please note, an appeal would need to be registered within 21 days of the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

Nick Pontefract  
Chief Operating Officer  
**Sport England**