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## MESSAGE FROM FORBES DUNLOP, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

Hi folks

I expect many of you feel a sense of anticipation and some optimism as we progress to a new phase of the Scottish Government route-map to take us through and out of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. We are working closely with all partners to understand the implications of phase 2 and ensure all plans and proposals meet the Scottish Government guidelines.

We continue to work with partners on an individual and a collective basis. This week we joined the discussion on the SGB CEO forum and also held very constructive discussions with colleagues from COSLA, SOLACE, VOCAL and Public Health Scotland. We recognise the importance of both understanding the sector's challenges and needs but also ensuring that planning is done in a co-ordinated and collaborative way. As we understand better the impact and the options to rebuild and restart, we will continue to invest in our partners to support them through and out of the crisis.

We recently launched our latest communications theme, "Playing our part" which we believe frames sport and physical activity in a positive way and gives all of our partners the opportunity to tell the story of how they are playing their part. Please use the hashtag #PlayingOurPart and continue to work together to raise the profile of sport and physical activity across Scotland.

Finally, can I add my thanks, to that already expressed by Stewart, to all partners for the level of commitment in how we plan and work together through this crisis. Please keep in touch with the team at **sportscotland** so that we can continue with this approach. I hope that you, your families, and your teams are well.

Take care, Forbes

# GETTING COACHES READY FOR SPORT

## GUIDANCE FOR COACHES

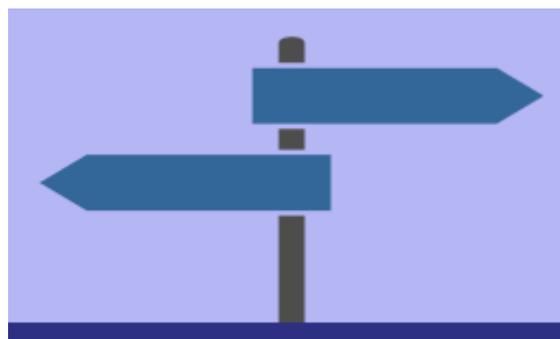
As sports begin to plan for restart, we recognise the need to support people in coaching roles to help them get ready to make sport happen.

We have developed guidance to support delivery in all phases, which is relevant to coaches, deliverers, volunteers, leaders, personal trainers and instructors in preparing for the safe return of delivering sport.

It is designed to be a good practice guide and provides some example templates and should be considered in conjunction with information from other sources including Scottish Government and Scottish Governing Bodies.

Coaches can follow the links in the document to access additional information to help prepare to deliver sport.

[DOWNLOAD GUIDANCE](#)



## LATEST INFO & UPDATES

The Scottish Government's latest guidance for exercise and activity can be found [here](#).

We're continuing to update our website with information, guidance and resources as these become available, so please encourage your own networks to check this page regularly.

Information includes:

- [Frequently asked questions](#)
- [Support for clubs](#)
- [Getting facilities fit for sport](#)
- [Communications](#)
- [Performance sport guidance](#)
- [Latest guidance from governing bodies](#)
- [Scottish Government infographic: physical activity for people who are shielding](#)

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## The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme is changing

The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme is changing from 1 July. It is no longer possible to furlough new members of staff. Any employer that has furloughed staff should ensure it understands the changes and the impact on its business.

More details: [Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme](#)

## Deadline for Business Support Fund fast approaching

The deadline for the Small Business Support Grants and Retail, Hospitality, Leisure Support Grants has been brought forward to **Friday 10 July**. These schemes make one-off grants of £10,000 or £25,000 available to organisations with a rateable value of up to £51,000. There have been some additional changes to eligibility criteria including for businesses not paying non-domestic rates directly, for operators of multiple properties, and for organisations in receipt of various rates reliefs. We encourage all sports organisations with premises to check their eligibility and apply by 10 July.

Further info: [Business Support Fund](#)

## Emergency funding still available

The Third Sector Resilience Fund remains open to organisations that need emergency funding directly as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Many sports clubs and community organisations have received grants of up to £75,000. Sports organisations facing significant financial challenges, who have explored other support available from existing funders, Scottish and UK Government, should be encouraged to consider applying.

More info: [Third Sector Resilience Fund](#)



## PLAYING OUR PART

'Playing our part' is our new communications theme to highlight the shared and collective responsibility involved in returning to sport in a safe way and in line with government guidelines. The aim of this message is to frame sport in a positive way, positions everyone involved in sport as having a contribution to make to their communities,



## IMPACT SURVEY

Thanks to those who completed our **clubs and community organisations COVID-19 impact survey**. We received over 430 responses from clubs and organisations all over Scotland.

The responses will help us tailor advice, guidance and support through this difficult

and makes it clear that sport is part of the solution to Scotland's recovery plan.

We hope that you will be able to incorporate **#PlayingOurPart** into communications to your own networks - you can find suggestions on how to do this via the link below. It's clear that over the past few months, the sporting system has very much been playing its part and so we hope to continue to emphasise this message.

Note that we'll also continue to use the **#WeAreHere** message for any content around physical activity to support mental health.

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time. Key challenges identified were retaining and supporting the wellbeing of members and participants.

Respondents were looking for advice and guidance on how to communicate with their members/participants and how to manage their organisation.

They also wanted information and resources on financial support and a timeline and plan for activity starting again. Thanks again for your responses. [Check our website](#) for guidance and links to further support, and please also circulate the website link to your own networks.

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## CHILDREN 1ST GUIDANCE

The wellbeing and protection of children is paramount at all times and the current COVID-19 pandemic has increased the vulnerability of children and young people. The [Safeguarding in Sport](#) team, a partnership between **sportscotland** and Children 1st, have developed the briefing paper: **Return of Children and Young**



## PATHS FOR ALL FUND NOW OPEN

Paths for All have launched a new round of **Smarter Choices, Smarter Places** funding. Grants between £5,000 - £50,000 are available for public, third and community sector organisations who want to make a difference to the way people travel in Scotland.

**People to Sport After COVID-19**, to help support the return of children and young people to sport as we ease out of lockdown and through the return phases. This is applicable to all sports organisations and coaches and highlights considerations that should be taken when the children and young people return to sport and also prepared for potential disclosures from children as it is anticipated that there may be a rise in these due to COVID-19.

The fund is seeking applications from projects aiming to encourage people to use buses and community car clubs for longer journeys; walking and cycling for short journeys, and home-working to replace daily commutes.

For more information and to apply visit the link below.

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