

Firstly I'd like to thank clubs for facilitating arrangements for coach support sessions this past year. The Network is also grateful for the work done by Zeta and Janet in making the arrangements to have these sessions delivered. Over 50 coaches have benefited through the club based sessions and through bursaries for coach education. Brief details may be seen in the minutes of the last Steering Group meeting which are attached

At this point I would like to particularly thank Zeta for her additional volunteer role as Network administrator which worked very well. Also to congratulate her on securing a teaching position which unfortunately means that she will not be able to continue in the role after the end of March. We wish her well. I will thus act as Secretary until further notice

It's got to the time of year again when we need to ask clubs what they would like from the Network in the coming year. Although this will be the last year of England Athletics funding, it is envisaged that support for clubs will continue beyond this year. Attached is a template on which I would be most grateful if you would let us know what you require from the Network over the next year - it has been divided into sections to help collate the responses and there is a space at the end (Section 6 Other) for clubs to put in anything else which doesn't fit into the specific sections

I know that you are all busy with many things but I want to ask please if you would consider this immediately and get at least something back to me by Monday 10th March as the management group will have to get the plan written by Thursday 13th - I'm going to Ireland on the 14th and want to have things finalised before I go - it will probably mean that you will not be able to have a club meeting in this time but hopefully you can come up with some ideas together and back to me by the 10th

The Steering Group felt that we needed to delay this exercise until there was the opportunity to meet with Tania Spurling and this took place on Tuesday. As with James, we want to work jointly with Tania, in her England Athletics CCSO role, so that we can combine available resources to have a single support system for clubs

Please note that I've sent this to more than one person in some clubs - hope this doesn't cause too much confusion - hopefully through this exercise we can confirm the main contact or contacts for future communications

If you have any query please don't hesitate to contact me and I thank you in anticipation of your support with this task

I look forward to hearing from you

Kind regards
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