

From: [Pitchpower](#)
To: [Parish Clerk](#)
Subject: Fwd: Grass Pitches and/or PitchPower
Date: 07 September 2022 12:32:48

Hi Claire

Thanks for your email and interest in applying for a football foundation grant to maintain your football pitches.

Just to briefly explain the process, PitchPower is a pitch inspection tool which clubs and organisations use to submit pitch data and photographs through. That information is then reviewed by one of my colleagues at the Grounds Management Association (GMA) and they compile a report with recommendations for maintenance practices, training, and equipment that the site may need. The club or organisation can then use that report to apply for a grant through the Football Foundation Grants Portal (<https://apply.footballfoundation.org.uk/>) which is usually for a Grass Pitch Maintenance Fund grant, but the Foundation do offer different grants for different items so it's worth checking <https://footballfoundation.org.uk/looking-for-funding> to see if you are eligible for anything else.

With that process in mind, we usually recommend that the organisation who undertakes the maintenance of the pitches should be the one to submit a pitch inspection (through PitchPower) and subsequently a grant application (through the Grants Portal). If the organisation submitting a grant application do not own the land then they are asked to get a signed form from the landlord to confirm the landowner is happy for them to undertake the works on which the grant is based (so in you scenario if one of the clubs did the inspections and applied for the grants, we'd ask for them to get you to sign a document indicating you are happy with any works going ahead).

We don't have a set rule as it can be so site specific, so it's up to you in terms of who should undertake the pitch inspections and apply for the grants, but the systems block duplicate inspections and grants for the same site so it's worth discussing with your clubs and agreeing the approach first, to avoid duplication of time and effort.

Hopefully that helps. but let me know if you have any further questions and I'll be happy to help.

Thanks, Joe

--

Football Foundation
PitchPower Support

