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RE: CHESHIRE NETWORK APPLICATION FOR ATHLETIC NETWORK FUNDING

Dear Andy Garnett,

The England Athletic (EA) National Athletics Networks Panel met in recent weeks to review the submissions made for funding support. This was part of the 3rd application window, since the programme was launched in October 2008.

Thank you for your submission. This letter is to inform you that the National Panel was very supportive of the Cheshire application but felt some more information is required before we can confirm funding. The panel has therefore given the network a 'develop' status.

This means that once the plan has been developed further, then the network should submit electronically to clubs@englandathletics.org and the panel will re-assess within 10 days of receipt of the plan.

Your Club and Coach Support Officer, Sarah Friday will be available to support you through the next stage of development and will provide in-depth feedback from the panel meeting.

The key areas the panel ask the Cheshire bid to concentrate upon prior to re-submission are:

- Focus in more detail on what the plan is trying to achieve and the long term benefit to the clubs;
- If there is really a need for a network coordinator? Or whether a role such as 'lead coach and mentor' or 'coaching coordinator' not suit better considering the focus of the plan;
 - A greater focus on broader participation (such as Run In England);
- SWOT analysis is carried out pre-submission, so network is aware of key deliver priorities.

The panel would like to congratulate you being selected to further develop your plan and we look forward to receiving the final plan in the near future.

(Funding has been ring-fenced for the network to allow you extra time to develop the plan and ensure it meets the needs of all the clubs within the network)

Yours sincerely

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