

Aim/Objective

The aim and objective of the Hardship Fund is to:

- Provide short term financial support to parents/guardians who are struggling to pay their monthly fees.
- To prevent the need for any parent/guardian from deciding to stop their child/children playing for Unity Netball Club due to their inability to pay their monthly fees.

Eligibility

Financial support may be provided as long as the following criteria is met:

- Parents/guardians/children who have been part of Unity Netball Club for a period of more than six months.
- There has been a specific change of circumstance that inhibits their ability to pay their monthly fees.

Application Process

There is no formal application process to support this fund.

Applications can be made by parents/guardians to the following club officials:

- The coach for the team that the child/children play for, or
- To the club Treasurer who will be responsible for administering the fund. She can be contacted by email at jenny.shannon@hotmail.co.uk.

The decision as to whether financial assistance is provided will be made by a named club officer.

There is no right of appeal against decisions made.

Period of Financial Assistance

The fund is intended to provide short term financial support to parents/guardians. As such, the initial award of financial assistance will be for a period of three months.

The facility exists to extend such assistance for up to a year if circumstance that inhibits their ability to pay their monthly fees remains.

Only in special circumstance will financial assistance be provided for longer than one year. In such a scenario, this will be considered by the Club's Committee.

Confidentiality

Any application made through this fund will remain confidential and the club will not disclose the details of anyone who has made an application through the fund.