Swim England County Roadshow

South East region



Overview of today

- What is Good Governance?
- Sport England Code for Sports Governance
- Swim England Governance Code

Second session we will cover the Role of the Counties survey results and future planning



What is Good Governance?

In your tables please discuss and be prepared to feedback

Ensuring your organisation is appropriately structured and has the right people, policies and procedures in place

What is Sport England's Code for Sports Governance?

- The code sets out required levels of compliancy expected of organisations
- Launched in 2016 and revised in 2021
- Two significant Tiers: 1 & 3 with mandatory elements
- Where is Tier 2?

Tier 1 explained

- A minimum level of mandatory governance requirements around the following:
 - Structure
 - People
 - Communication
 - Standards and Conduct
 - Policies and Processes

Tier 3 explained

- The top level of mandatory governance requirements by organisations such as NGB's focusing on the areas of compliance as previously shown in Tier 1 with additional areas of information to be completed.
- Organisations who are Tier 3 level have a responsibility to cascade good governance to those they work with or are responsible for.
- Matrix II shows the areas within Tier 3 that clubs are already compliant with to remain affiliated to Swim England and the regions.

Swim England Governance Code for Counties

- Matrix III is a hybrid model (Tier 2) incorporating the minimum requirements of Tier 1 and those elements of Tier 3 that clubs already comply with in Club Affiliation.
- The required information that will need to be completed by all counties falls into the following areas:
 - Governance
 - Welfare
 - Equality and Diversity
 - Health and Safety
 - Workforce

Each area explained

1. Governance

- Constitution that is relevant and in date
- Evidence of an AGM and the reports submitted at it in particular financial report/update ensuring county viability / sustainability
- Chairs / President statement of compliance to Swim England Code of Ethics and Regulations

2. Welfare

 Welfare officer statement of compliance to Wavepower and Regulations

Each area explained

3. Equality and Diversity

 A county equality and diversity plan demonstrating engagement with the member clubs

4. Health and Safety

Risk assessments for all relevant activity

5. Workforce

 A personnel report detailing all relevant volunteers and paid staff and showing relevant checks, training and qualifications are in place

Questions / discussion



- Why? Swim England's commitment to Sport England to cascade good governance. In line with the minimum standard required of affiliated clubs.
- When? Throughout 2023.
- How? The Governance team will arrange individual county meetings.
 An online portal will be used to collate evidence for approval.
- Who? Swim England Governance team and regions working together.