



BADMINTON PLAYER

SUPPORT NETWORK



DEMANDS



Communication between support network members

"...a load of the issues that parents and players have with coaches just comes from lack of communication, just lack of awareness as to what that player wants to achieve or what their other issues are, like how long their day is and what other things they have on during that day..."

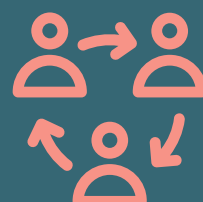


Time and resource constraints

"Probably all comes back down to funding and budget to be honest because I think if there was more, if there was more funding available, they would all have more time on court, they might have travel expenses, so then actually all of that travel isn't such a big issue for the parents, they might be able to have courts closer to home, it, I think it all comes down to funding..."

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DESIRED SUPPORT



Improved communication between support network

"I suppose ideally, we'd meet in the first week of September or something like that, the beginning of what would be the school academic year and we could then try and see where the hot spots are going to be for our badminton player as far as the school calendar was concerned... Or likewise the other way round, if they've got some championships we might need to try and move their exams around those times, so that we could plan."



Education for support network regarding badminton performance progression

"One thing has come up is that parents need extra support with the actual tournaments they [players] play in, because if you are not from an actual badminton background then they need extra support from the coaches to understand what the players need to do and where they need to be in order to progress."