

GRANT APPLICATION FOR GIFTED AND TALENTED ATHLETES

GUIDANCE AND APPLICATION FORM
Further information and electronic application available
at www.sandwell.gov.uk/giftedandtalented



The Gifted and Talented programme will:

- Support sportsmen and women with the potential to excel at a regional, national and international level. The fund is aimed at supporting individuals who need financial assistance in order to progress in their chosen sport. Levels of funding will vary, with each application being judged on its own merit.

Criteria for Funding

Individuals will only be considered for funding if:

- As a sportsman/woman you are a permanent resident within the Borough of Sandwell.
- The sport you are participating/coaching in is recognised by UK Sport.
- You are already on a NGB pathway/have the ability to do so and can provide appropriate evidence to this effect.
- You are willing to share your experiences with Sandwell Council staff, contribute to and allow your image to be used in promotional literature.

We will not fund:

- Membership/training for clubs
- Physiotherapy costs
- Nutritional/supplement costs
- Any retrospective spending
- Football players (with the exception of female players and those competing in disability football)

Procedure for Application

- Sections A to F of the application form should be completed in full by the individual
- Section G should then be completed by your NGB pathway representative.
- Applications will then be considered by a decision making panel.

Applications can be submitted at any time. There are no deadlines or funding 'rounds'.

Queries/questions

If you have any questions or queries in relation to this form or require any assistance, please contact the Sport and Leisure team on: pe_SportsTeam@sandwell.gov.uk

Funding Levels

Level of competition	Maximum funding level
'Bronze' level applicants - athletes currently on NGB pathways/have the ability to do so	£750
'Silver' level applications - as above but selected to represent England / Great Britain at national level and or compete at international level	£1,500
'Gold' as above but with a realistic potential / likelihood of competing at the following Commonwealth, Olympic or Paralympic games	£3,000

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1. The applicant should complete sections A to F. Any additional information should be attached on a separate sheet.
2. Applicants must declare any other funding currently being received or due to be secured.
3. Your NGB representative should then complete section G.

Applications should be emailed to: pe_SportsTeam@sandwell.gov.uk or posted to address quoted below

SECTION A: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Title		Full Name	
Age		Date of Birth	
Nationality		Male/Female	
Permanent home address			
		Postcode:	
Home telephone no.		Mobile number (Parent/Guardian if under 18)	
Email Address (Parent/Guardian if under 18)			

ATHLETE /COACHES IN EDUCATION:

Name of School/college/ University			
Course		Full/part time	
Date to finish Please outline plans following this date	DATE: PLANS:		

ATHLETES/COACHES IN EMPLOYMENT:

Name of employer			
Job Title			

SECTION B: SPORTING/COACHING DETAILS

Sport		Club	
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MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS TO DATE

Month/Year	Competition	Discipline/Event	Placing/position

AIMS-Please indicate your realistic sporting/coaching aims (future selection, competitions and targets)

This coming season:

Long term:

LEVEL - Please indicate your current level of representation:

Club		County/District		Regional	
National Talent Programme		Full National Squad			

SECTION C: COSTS- please check on front cover what we cannot fund and funding levels.

Please outline, in as much detail as possible, what costs you wish to claim for. **Be as specific as you can.**

Estimated date of spend	Item, travel, equipment, accommodation etc.	Cost
Total cost applying for		£
Please note, invoices and/or receipts will need to be provided for all expenditure		

Please attach/forward separate sheet if necessary

SECTION D: OTHER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Please outline details of any other relevant financial assistance you are **currently** receiving or are **due to** receive.

Organisation and what it currently funding or due to fund.	Amount
Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS)	
UK Sport	
Other:	
Other:	

Please outline details of any other relevant financial assistance you have **previously** received.

Organisation and what it previously funded	Amount
National Lottery - World Class funding	
Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS)	
UK Sport	
Sandwell MBC Triple S programme	
Other:	
Other:	

SECTION E: FURTHER INFORMATION

Please supply any additional information in support of your application for financial assistance

(continue on separate sheet if necessary)

SECTION F: DECLARATION Part 1

Please read the following and sign below:

- I understand that by signing this form I declare all of the above to be true.
- I understand that details of my application will be verified by the appropriate National Governing Body (NGB)
- I understand that if any of the above information is subsequently found to be untrue / inaccurate then I will be obliged to pay back all funding received.
- I understand that any unspent grant shall be returned.
- I understand that I have to provide receipts or invoices for all items purchased.
- I understand that the funding panel's decision is final.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to declare any grant funding secured via this programme to the appropriate authorities.
- I understand that the personal information collected on this form will be processed in regard to my application only, and used by officers of Sandwell MBC for that purpose only. The information you submit will only be retained for the length of this programme, at its conclusion all personal information will be deleted in a secure manner in accordance with Data Protection legislation. Your personal information will not be shared outside of this agreement unless the Council is required to do so by Law.

Signed (applicant)		Date	
Name			
<i>All forms must be signed. Where an applicant is under 18, this form must be countersigned by a parent or guardian below</i>			
Signed (Parent/Guardian)		Date	
Name			

<p>Please indicate how/where you received this form</p>	<p>Please include name of school/club etc.</p>
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Thank you for completing this form. Please forward the above along with a completed section G below to:

pe_SportsTeam@sandwell.gov.uk

Or post to:

Sandwell MBC
Gifted and Talented
Sport and Leisure
Sandwell Council House
Freeth Street, Oldbury
West Midlands, B69 3DE

You will be notified of the panel's decision within 4 weeks of the closing date for applications.

SECTION F: DECLARATION Part 2

Declaration: Involvement of Council Officers and Elected Members

Where any Council officers or elected members (Councillors) have provided advice or have had any involvement in planning this project and funding application please provide their names and details of their involvement below. Involvement may have included e.g.:

- Encouraging you to apply
- Helping you to plan the project
- Advising on budget, costs, suppliers or other potential income
- Providing guidance on completing the application form
- Offering to advocate for your proposal within the Council
- Agreeing to assist in implementing the project if approved

Please also include the name and details of any officer or Councillor who:

- Is a member of your organisation, managing body or paid staff
- Is (to your knowledge) a relative or close associate of any of your management members, senior staff or, a member of the organisation who is likely to directly benefit from the awarding of this funding
- Is (to your knowledge) likely to derive any direct personal benefit or advantage either financial or in kind from the award of this funding
- Is involved with any company or organisation who is or would likely derive any contract or benefit whether financial or in kind from the award of this funding

Please give names and details if relevant:

Name	Nature of involvement

Declaration

I confirm that; to the best of my knowledge and belief (tick one):

I have listed above the names of all Council officers or elected members with an involvement in this project or grant application

No Council officers or elected members have any involvement in this project or application

Signed:

Name and position in organisation:

Date:

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SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL DECLARATION

(To be completed only in cases where involvement of Council officers or elected members has been declared)

Officer Appraisal Comments:

I have reviewed the involvement of officers/elected members and I would/would not recommend grant award is considered for approval.

Name:

Signature:

Date:

Director of
Neighbourhoods

Date:

Chief executive of
the council

Date:

SECTION G: SUPPORT FOR APPLICATION- needs to be completed by your NGB representative

Full Name			
Organisation			
Position in organisation			
Telephone		Mobile	

Email			
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Please confirm that the applicant is currently included within an NGB pathway or has the required skill/ability to do so.			
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Signature		Date	
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<p>Please supply any additional information in support of this grant</p>			
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Date received		Application Number		Date of panel	
Contacted referee/ NGB rep and decision		Decision		Amount awarded	
Comments					