

# Hackney Youth Sports Fund

## Background information

The Hackney Youth Sports Fund will target individuals and clubs within Hackney providing them with support, resources and training to achieve their potential. The fund will run for five years up until 2012.

The fund will support all sports recognised by Sport England.

The programme has been divided into two distinct funding streams. These will support Talented Athletes and Community Clubs using a Gold, Silver and Bronze criteria.

## Talented Individuals

The scheme is aimed at talented young athletes that have been identified as talented by their Club, School or at a talent ID event. Links have been formulated with the *Newham Academy* and other performance centres and where appropriate, identified athletes can be given access to their talent programme.

Individuals		
Level	Criteria	Benefit
Gold	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Borough resident/ attends school / college in Hackney.</li> <li>Aged 9-25*</li> <li>Competes at a national level or listed in top 10 for their sport.</li> <li>Member of the Regional/national training squad or team at date of application or</li> <li>Member of a team that competes in a National league.</li> <li>Referral letter from National Governing Body.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential access to Newham Sports Academy (if appropriate)</li> <li>Potential free access to leisure facilities.</li> <li>Able to apply for travel support grant</li> <li>Provided with Hackney 2012 branded training kit</li> <li>Able to apply for kit equipment/grant £300 - £400</li> <li>Potential Sports Science support (London Metropolitan University)</li> </ul>
Silver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Borough resident / attends school / college in Hackney.</li> <li>Aged 9-25*</li> <li>Represents the borough where applicable or regional or county level.</li> <li>Referral letter from representative team / squad.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Potential free access to leisure facilities.</li> <li>Able to apply for kit equipment/grant £200 - £300</li> <li>Provided with Hackney 2012 branded training kit</li> <li>Progress monitored and personal development plan in place.</li> <li>Potential Physical assessments (London Metropolitan University)</li> </ul>
Bronze	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Borough resident / attends school / college in Hackney.</li> <li>Aged 9-25*</li> <li>Identified as talented through schools, club, event.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Registered on the Hackney Talented database</li> <li>Able to apply for kit equipment/grant £50 - £100</li> <li>Signposted to clubs or</li> </ul>

		progression route. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress monitored</li> <li>• Potential local gym membership.</li> </ul>
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NB Applications for all athletes under the age of 16 must be made by their parent or guardian on their behalf.

### Community Clubs

This scheme will encourage and enable local teams and clubs in the borough to obtain Club Mark status, providing them with guidance and development opportunities. The scheme will reward an inclusive approach to club development.

Clubs		
Level	Criteria	Benefit
<b>Gold</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Club mark status</li> </ul> (3 out of 4 listed below ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inclusive teams</li> <li>• Level 2 or equivalent coach</li> <li>• Junior Section</li> <li>• Competition structure</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allocated training access at boroughs leisure facilities.</li> <li>• Able to apply for Gold Club development grant £500 - £1000</li> <li>• Coach education training – up to 50% support for up to two level 2/3 NGB courses.</li> <li>• Promotion of club through the Hackney sport and leisure directory</li> <li>• Assistance with funding applications</li> </ul>
<b>Silver</b>	(4 out of 5 listed below ) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Working towards Club mark status</li> <li>• Working towards being inclusive</li> <li>• Child protection Policy</li> <li>• Level 2 or equivalent coaches.</li> <li>• Junior Section</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allocated training access at boroughs leisure facilities</li> <li>• Coach education training – up to 50% support for one level 2/ 3 NGB course.</li> <li>• Able to apply for Silver Club development grant £300 - £500</li> <li>• Promotion of club through the Hackney sport and leisure directory</li> <li>• Assistance with funding applications</li> </ul>
<b>Bronze</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have a clear Structure/Constitution</li> <li>• Working towards</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assistance with obtaining accreditation</li> </ul>

	<p>accreditation/Club mark status</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress monitored</li> <li>• Able to apply for Bronze Club development grant £200-£300.</li> <li>• Promotion of club through the Hackney sport and leisure directory</li> <li>• Assistance with funding applications</li> </ul>
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## Application process

All applicants will need to complete an online application form available at [www.hackney.gov.uk](http://www.hackney.gov.uk) or from [sarah.davies@hackney.gov.uk](mailto:sarah.davies@hackney.gov.uk)

Alternatively hard copies are available from:

Sports Development  
Parks & Leisure  
Maurice Bishop House  
17 Reading Lane  
London – E8 1HH.

Individuals and clubs can apply for **one** development grant every financial year. (April 1<sup>st</sup> - March 31<sup>st</sup>)

### 2007/08 Application deadlines:

30 November 2007 – applicants will receive formal notification by 29th February

30 April 2008 – applicants will receive formal notification by 30th June.

30 September 2008 – applicants will receive formal notification by 30<sup>th</sup> November.

### The Youth Fund Panel

Stage 1: Applications will be assessed by Sports Development against the criteria and a summary of recommendations will be made by Sports Development to the panel.

Stage 2: The Panel will meet three times per year to consider the recommendations. The Panel will consist of representatives from local strategic partner organisations:

The Panel will be chaired by Councillor Nargis Khan, Cabinet member for Community Services.

Stage 3: All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome within 3 months of the application closing date.

Stage 4: Following approval of the grant, all applicants will receive notification of when the payment will be made.

Stage 5: Following any award, a monitoring and evaluation form must be submitted within three months of the award being spent/utilised.

The decision of the panel is final as the need to balance a range of applications against a limited budget means that all grant applications may not be successful.