



SPORTS AWARDS, GRANT AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year Basingstoke and Deane Borough council make funds available to assist sportsmen and women aged 10 to 24 years in their efforts to achieve full national, international and perhaps even Olympic honours. Grants are awarded towards travelling and coaching expenses and qualifications or the purchase of clothing or equipment.

All applicants for Grant Aid are automatically considered for the annual Basingstoke and Deane Sports Awards coordinated by Basingstoke Sports Council and hosted by the Apollo Hotel. Please note that athletes aged 25 and over and others who do not fulfil the grant aid criteria are still welcome to apply or be nominated for the junior and senior sportsperson award categories and can do so by completing section A of the relevant form.

Scholarships are awarded by the Basingstoke Sports Trust and Community Leisure Trust to provide first class training facilities to assist athletes develop their natural talent.



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Grant aid criteria

Anyone that has achieved at least county representative standard or the equivalent may apply provided that:

- They reside in the borough and have done so for at least six months prior to the date of the application.
- They are over 10 years of age and under 25 years of age (age as at 2 December 2017). In exceptional circumstances scholarships and grants may be awarded to persons aged 25 years and over at the discretion of Basingstoke Sports Council.
- Supporting evidence of talent or potential must be supplied from a relevant coach/NGB/teacher. A reference can be provided on the application form or via a formal letter/email.
- Applicants supply evidence of costs incurred due to attendance at training camps etc. If an applicant has received grant aid previously, they must provide a breakdown of how this was spent.
- Applications and any supporting evidence (letter from reference/newspaper articles etc) must be submitted by email to the address specified overleaf. These must be received by 9pm on 2 December with no exceptions. Applications by post will be accepted but electronic submissions are strongly preferred (please ensure the correct amount of postage is added to the envelope if posting your application).
- Where the applicant is a member of a local club then the club or it's league is strongly encouraged to demonstrate support to Basingstoke Sports Council via affiliation.

Scholarships

Each year scholarships are awarded by Basingstoke Sports Trust and Basingstoke Community Leisure Trust to provide use of their first class training facilities. An athlete could be awarded a scholarship entitling them to free use at Basingstoke Sports Centre, Basingstoke Aquadrome, Basingstoke Golf Centre or Tadley Pool and in addition they would have access to a personal trainer.

To be considered for a scholarship athletes must be over the age of 14 years and confirm their interest in section A of the application form.

There are a limited number of scholarships available each year, and these are given out solely at the discretion of management at the Basingstoke Sports Trust and Basingstoke Community Leisure Trust.

Grant awards

Awards over the past few years ranging from £25 to £350 have been made to the following local sports:

Athletics, Basketball, Badminton, Boxing, Cross Country, Cricket, Cycling, Canoeing, Decathlon, Diving, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Horse Riding, Ice Hockey, Ice Skating, Judo, Karate, Kick Boxing, Motorcycling, Netball, Pentathlon, Powerlifting, Roller Hockey, Rugby, Sailing, Shooting, Show Jumping, Swimming, Snooker, Tennis, Triathlon, Volleyball, Windsurfing and Waterskiing.

Top Awards have gone to the following Great Britain Sportsmen and Women:

Jean Maton, Andy Bonner & George Carter (Powerlifting), Claire Spreadbury (Bowls), Mitchell Stokes (Cricket), Danni Bird (Football), Ben Peggs and Leonora Mackinnon (Fencing), Ben Hazell (Decathlon) and Robert Tobin, Holly Croxford and Kierra Barker (Athletics), Marc Richardson (Volleyball) and Jaco Roux (Boccia), Danielle Harrison (Ice Skating), Yasmin Taite (Gymnastics), Bradley Sutton (Biathle) and James Feighery-Murphy (Karate)

Making the most of sport

The Basingstoke Sports Council has the following objectives in the support of local sport.

- To assess, promote and encourage sporting activities in the local area and offer advice and guidance where required.
- To assist local authorities by advising generally on the collective opinion of local sporting interests for the future planning of sports facilities.
- Receive and advise upon applications from affiliated organisations for financial assistance, decide the priorities of applications and advise the relevant subcommittee allocating grants accordingly.
- Record and disseminate information to organisations and individuals in the area concerning available sporting facilities and activities plus maintain up to date details of sporting organisations.
- Receive and consider reports and recommendations from any organisations on all matters concerning sport and take such action as the sports council deem appropriate.
- Secure mutual help and avoid overlapping and waste of effort in planning for the future development of sport by exchange of information and co-operation with other organisations.
- To promote, assist and support European sporting links with guidance, information and advice relating to both hosting events and travel abroad especially to our official twin towns.
- To recognise and support local sportsmen and women plus support the development of sports coaches.
- For more information please visit www.basingstokelsc.org.uk or www.facebook.com/BVLSC



Local sports awards

Basingstoke Sports Council co-ordinates the annual Basingstoke Sports Awards. The awards are in place to recognise the achievements of the local sporting community. All grant aid applicants are encouraged to nominate an individual, coach, official, volunteer, club, team or school for an award. To do this, please visit the borough council website www.basingstoke.gov.uk/sportsawards

Please note that all grant aid applicants (under the age of 25) will automatically be considered for the Basingstoke and Hampshire Sports Awards.

Nomination summaries for the shortlisted finalists will be available on the Basingstoke Sports Council website in the build up to the awards.

For further information please contact Amy Sambell on 01256 845752 or amy.sambell@basingstoke.gov.uk

Application

Application forms for Grant Aid, Scholarships and the Sportsperson of the year awards can be found at www.basingstoke.gov.uk/sportsfunding. Please return completed forms and supporting evidence to:

Email: bvlsc@btinternet.com

or

Basingstoke Sports Council
3 Dragonfly Drive, Lychpit, Basingstoke, RG24 8RU

The scheme is administered and grants allocated by the Basingstoke Sports Council.

All applications must be received by **9pm on Saturday 2 December**.

Applications WILL NOT be considered after this date or if not in compliance with the grant conditions.

Hampshire Talented Athlete Scheme

The Hampshire Talented Athlete Scheme is an athlete centred support programme designed to give Hampshire's most talented athletes access to as much support as possible in order that they can reach their full potential.

Applications for the scheme close on 15 October 2017.

For more information visit www.energiseme.org/funding

