

MEETING: 09/01/2014

Ref: 11913

ASSESSMENT CATEGORY - Accessible Sports

British Wheelchair Basketball

Adv: J. Grieve Combes

Base: Outside London

Benefit: London-wide

Amount requested: £80,100

{Revised request: £80,363}

Amount recommended: £80,380

Purpose of grant request: The innovative and exciting London Wheelchair Basketball Development Programme; promoting grassroots accessibility for all and empowering disabled people across London.

Background

British Wheelchair Basketball (BWB) is the national governing body for Wheelchair Basketball in the UK. Its work includes supporting and developing a national league programme of more than 130 teams; School, Community, University and Talent programmes; and supporting national teams that have enjoyed success at European, World and Paralympic levels. Wheelchair Basketball embraces a wide range of disabilities including paraplegics, spina bifida, amputees, brittle bones, cerebral palsy and multiple sclerosis, but players without disabilities are also encouraged to play and are eligible to compete in divisions 1-4, junior league and women's league. As well as fulfilling its role as a governing body, BWB also runs a grassroots programme of work to support people with disabilities through wheelchair basketball. It is under this programme that BWB is applying to you today.

Funding History

None

Current Application

BWB has identified London as an under-developed area of wheelchair basketball, with the third lowest regional participation in the country. In response BWB piloted the London Wheelchair Basketball Development Project over 2 years, starting in 2011 with funding from the Lord's Taverners, Sports Match and the Mayor's Fund. The programme was very successful with a throughput of 17,500 people and a five-fold increase in London basketball clubs from 2 to 10. However, it was also found that there was more work to be done and that the new clubs developed needed longer-term support to become self-sufficient. BWB therefore wants to extend the life of the project to have longer-term impacts.

The proposed project would provide opportunities for 9,000 people to be introduced to wheelchair basketball across London. It would focus on developing clubs which act as the centre of the sport. The London Development Officer would develop 9 new clubs; support the existing

clubs; develop 12 school clubs; run taster sessions (for example in shopping centres); and provide young official/leader/coaching courses to enable people to deliver coaching across the capital in their clubs, schools and universities. Crucially, BWB believes this support will result in 50 new disabled people per year taking up wheelchair basketball on a regular basis, giving them full access to coaching, weekly training, competition and social support networks.

Financial Observations

Audited accounts for the year ended 31st March 2013 show an overall surplus of £93,443 (5% of turnover), comprising £55,451 on unrestricted funds and £37,992 on restricted funds.

The organisation's reserves policy is to hold between 3 and 6 months' worth of fixed support costs which equates to a target holding of up to £250,000 (which equates to 2.6 months' worth of total expenditure). At 31st March 2013 unrestricted reserves stood at £453,225. This includes designated funds of £250,000 towards the financial risk of underwriting the European Championships in 2015.

The budget for 2013/14 shows a deficit of £182,130 (18.7% of turnover), comprising £135,130 on restricted funds and £47,000 on unrestricted funds. Total forecast income is £973,944, of which £734,056 (75%) has been confirmed as at 18th December 2013.

Officer's Appraisal

This is an exciting time for Wheelchair Basketball. The London 2012 Paralympic Games saw unprecedented coverage of the sport, yet take-up of the sport by people with disabilities in London remains below its potential. BWB seeks to challenge this through a proven model of delivery. The organisation's belief in the project is demonstrated not only through its passion but also through a financial commitment that has seen it use its unrestricted reserves to fund the postholder whilst they seek external funding. Your grant, if awarded, would allow BWB to put the London Development project on a sustainable footing for the next three years and support longer-term impacts of development work in London.

BWB originally requested funding of £80,100 from towards project costs. It has subsequently changed this request now to cover the salary of the Development Officer - bringing the overall request to £80,363. Project administration and on-costs will be covered from a range of other funds, from income generated and, if necessary, reserves.

Recommendation

£80,380 over three years (£26,000; £26,780; £27,600) for the salary of the full time Wheelchair Basketball London Development Officer.



The City Bridge Trust

Charity Registration Number: 1035628

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Date Received:

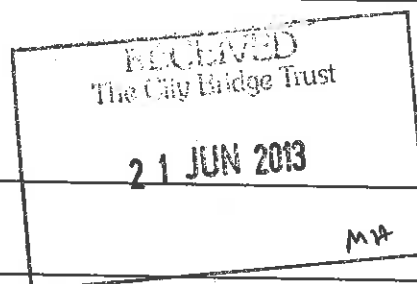
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Programme
Area:

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1. About your organisation

Name of organisation applying for grant: British Wheelchair Basketball	
If the organisation is part of a larger organisation, what is its name? No, but also known as - GBWBA	
Address for correspondence: SportPark, Oakwood Drive, Loughborough Leicestershire	
Postcode: LE11 3QF Is this your home address? No	
Contact person: Mr Charlie Bethel	Position: Chief Executive
Phone: 01509 279900	Fax: 01509 279909
E-mail: c.bethel@gbwa.org.uk	
Website: http://www.gbwa.org.uk	
Legal status of organisation: Registered Charity If registered, please give charity number: 1144808 Date organisation established: 25/11/2011	



2. Request for funds

Under which of the Trust's themes are you applying (see our website or brochure for further details)? Accessible Sports
Purpose for which funds are requested: (25 words maximum) The innovative and exciting London Wheelchair Basketball Development Programme; promoting grassroots accessibility for all and empowering disabled people across London.
How much funding is requested? Year 1: £26,700 Year 2: £26,700 Year 3: £26,700 Total: £80,100

3. Aims of your organisation

British Wheelchair Basketball (BWB) will create, underpin and deliver quality opportunities for players at all levels across the United Kingdom to obtain the best possible performances for teams, clubs and each and every member.

We will continue to:

- change the way people think and act towards disabled people.
- support the opportunities disabled people have to participate in sport and exercise.
- support local areas to make sure disabled people can take part in the places where they live.
- raise awareness and understanding of the needs of disabled people through sport, information and training.
- To allocate our resources as cost-effectively as possible in order to deliver high-quality service to the maximum number of disabled and able bodied people.

4. Main activities of your organisation

At BWB we are addressing challenges faced by people with disabilities by providing a platform of activity that enables disabled people to participate on an equal level to their able bodied siblings and friends as well as providing a tool for integration in schools and the community. BWB has a strong national league programme with over 130 teams together with School, Community, University and Talent programmes underpinning a planned academy and the national teams that have enjoyed success at European, World and Paralympic level. BWB aims to create, underpin and deliver quality opportunities for players at all levels across the United Kingdom to obtain the best possible performances for teams, clubs and each and every member.

5. Number of staff

Full-time	Part-time	Management committee members	Active volunteers
12	2	12	1,000

6. How do you support your volunteers?

We support our volunteers by offering high quality training, travel expenses per activity, insurance. We also offer access to local and national networks, local Skills Active and local county Sport Partnerships.

7. Property occupied by your organisation

Is the main property owned or leased/rented by your organisation?	If leased/rented, how long is the outstanding lease/rental agreement?
Rented	15 yr lease expiring 2025

8. Finance

From your most recent audited or independently examined accounts, complete the following:

Financial year ended -

Month: **March**

Year: **2013**

Income received from:	£
Voluntary income	1,705,446
Activities for generating funds	
Investment income	37
Income from charitable activities	128,571
Other sources	
Total Income	1,834,054

Expenditure:	£
Charitable activities	1,591,666
Governance costs	36,934
Cost of generating voluntary income	112,011
Other	
Total Expenditure	1,740,611
Net (Deficit)/Surplus:	93,443
Other Recognised Gains/(Losses)	0
Net Movement in Funds	93,443

Asset position at year end	£
Fixed assets	72,896
Investments	0
Net current assets	763,831
Long-term liabilities	0
*Total A	836,727

Reserves at year end	£
Endowment funds	
Restricted funds	327,269
Unrestricted funds	509,458
*Total B	836,727

* Total A and Total B must be the same and should be taken from your balance sheet

9. Statutory funding

For the financial year above, what % of your income was from statutory sources?
90%

10. Material changes

Describe any material changes to the organisation's activities, structure or financial position since the date of the most recent accounts:

n/a

11. Previous applications to the Trust

Have you applied to the Trust before? If so, please give details:				
Month/Year:	Ref: 0	Grant received: £0	OR application rejected?	No
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12. Previous funding received

Funding received by your organisation from the following sources during the last THREE years: (i) City of London (other than the City Bridge Trust) (ii) London boroughs (iii) London Councils (formerly ALG) (iv) Health authorities (v) Central government departments (vi) Other statutory bodies (e.g. Housing Corporation, Arts Council) - List source, years and annual amounts:			
	Year: 2010	Year: 2011	Year: 2012
(i)			
(ii)			
(iii)			
(iv)			
(v)			
(vi) Mayors Fund		36,600	78,900

13. Previous grants received

Grants received by your organisation from charitable trusts and foundations (other than the City Bridge Trust) during the last TWO years. List source, years and annual amounts:		
	Year: 2011	Year: 2012
The Lord Taverners	36,000	0
National Governing Body	28,090	11,000
Sportsmatch	36,000	0
Skills Active	4,500	9,375

14. What steps is your organisation taking to reduce its carbon footprint?

BWB is reducing our carbon footprint by:

- Producing literature electronically eg Sports handbook work in progress to offer as an app.
- Electronic Registration process
- Strategic placement of sport wheelchairs around London to cut down on transport movement.

As an organisation we continue to identify areas that can effectively reduce its carbon footprint.

15. Purpose

Complete this section whatever the amount of grant requested. **In addition**, if the request is for £25,000 or more in total, a fuller proposal should be sent with this form. Also, if your application is for all or part of new or existing post(s), please enclose a copy of the relevant job description(s) including the salary level.

In order to provide the right information, please refer to guidance note 15 before completing this section.

Children, young people and adults with disabilities want to do the same types of activities as anyone else thus experiencing the physical, psychological benefits of exercise. In addition to feeling good, raising self-confidence, promoting better health and possible improvement in ability, sport and exercise can also bring added benefits such as social interaction, friendship and increased job prospects. Wheelchair Basketball promotes a more cohesive community especially at grass roots level. Research shows that such sports can deter antisocial behaviour; keeping young people busy and out of trouble, it makes young people feel empowered, meets the need that young people have for risk taking, it increases feelings of connectedness, it fosters teamwork-the positive benefits are endless. "Develop sporting opportunities for young people to help them foster a sense of their value to society and to help tackle problems of youth crime"(Crabbe, 2000). Many great athletes from the UK have spoken publicly about how sport probably helped keep them away from criminal activities.

Evidence in both throughput and increases in membership through the pilot programme have demonstrated a high percentage of people from a BME community. Three examples of high BME participation in the London Development Programme are clubs in Brixton, Redbridge and Hackney where the percentage of participation is in excess of 70%.

The London Development Officer works at grassroots level in the community, developing school clubs, new clubs, Taster Days and a Young Officials/Leader programme. Change4Life Sports Clubs have become a fantastic tool for schools to engage less active young people and retain their involvement in physical education and school sport as well as a great vehicle for the deployment of young leaders and volunteers. Developing a new club BWB invests in the provision of: coaching time, court time (often a restricting factor), equipment, the development of members in to the coaching and welfare workforce and facilitating the relationship with the county sport partnership and/or local authority-areas. Taster Days encourage the use of local authority facilities and accessibility to venues. The existing young officials programme is unique in the world and has been identified as a good practice model in the development of young people. Development of young officials has retained the less able to remain in the sport as both officials and players. We've also seen the transition of young officials into the senior pathway for referees, statisticians and table officials. Disabled children and young people live in different personal situations from their non-disabled counterparts, and are more likely to live with low-income, deprivation, debt and poor housing. Given the relationship between positive health, social and education outcomes and poverty and material deprivation, improving the circumstances of disabled people is crucial. Interestingly less than 10% of those living in London and participating in wheelchair basketball are female. Encouragingly, the pilot programme saw an increase in engagement of females in the sport not only as players but as coaches too. Our delivery of Wheelchair Basketball is truly inspiring; we are experts in our field and have a proven track record for innovation. A great example is Inclusive Zone Basketball. A 4 a-side game, developed to enable players who cannot participate in a full game of basketball to enjoy playing the game. The zones used enable players to be matched in their abilities within these zones. IZB can be used as a tool for breaking down barriers and stereotypes in a positive and fun way as well as portraying a positive image of disability. Allowing a whole school approach, the game links many of the strands of the National Curriculum for PE, 'games activities', Key Stages 1-4; providing cross-curricular links with Science, Literacy and Numeracy. The small-sided teams and adapted playing area enable girls and boys, both disabled and non-disabled, to participate in a fun game of basketball.

16. Explain how you will monitor and evaluate both your own outcomes and those of the programme under which you are applying.

The levels of participation will be measured at both a local and national level. The programme officer will be responsible for monitoring the beneficiaries to the programme and the throughput of activity.
 This will take place by:

- Monitoring participation at taster sessions
- Monitoring the number of people on courses
- Monitoring the activity in clubs

From a national perspective the actual membership number will be recorded and reported upon in a similar manner to the way British Wheelchair Basketball reports to Sport England.
 Excel will also be monitored through national statistics with participation in competition, training and qualifications gained.
 In both cases the quality of provision will be monitored through recording contact time with coaches, the level of the coach and the people delivering sessions.
 Views is the principal software we use to monitor participation in London.

17. Beneficiaries

In line with our anti-fraud policies, we may, in exceptional circumstances, require you to provide contact details of your beneficiaries (see Guidance Notes).

How many people will benefit from the grant per year? 9000+			
What age group will benefit? All children & young people, Adult			
In which local authority is your organisation based? Southwark <i>Loughborough JGC</i>			
Which borough(s) of Greater London will benefit from this grant? (if more than one, please give % for each) Harrow, Bexley, Hammersmith, Sutton, City, Enfield, Redbridge, Newham, Tower Hamlets, Lewisham, Lambeth, Kingston upon Thames, Ealing, Greenwich, Croydon			
At what address will the activity be located? Activity will be located in boroughs mentioned above. We will be promoting where ever possible, the use of local authority facilities.			
What will the ethnic grouping(s) of the beneficiaries be?			
	%		%
White - British	31	Black - Caribbean	41
White - Irish		Black - African	
White - Other (please describe)		Black - Other (please describe)	
Mixed	16	Not specified	8
Asian - Indian		Black - British	
Asian - Pakistani		Chinese	
Asian - Bangladeshi			
Asian - Other (please describe)		Other (please describe)	
Not specified	4		
Open to everyone			100
What proportion of the beneficiaries will be disabled people? 100%			

18. Funding required for the project

{As Revised}

What is the total cost of the proposed activity/project?
(List main expenditure headings and amounts)

Expenditure heading	Year 1 £	Year 2 £	Year 3 £	Total £
Officer Costs	26,000	26,780	27,583	80,363
School Programme	3,000	3,000	3,000	9,000
Club Development Programme	5,000	5,000	5,000	12,500
Taster Days	7,200	7,200	7,200	21,600
Young Officials and Leaders	8,500	8,500	8,500	21,500
TOTAL	49,700	50,480	51,283	151,463

What income has already been raised? (List amounts and main sources)

Source	Year 1 £	Year 2 £	Year 3 £	Total £
Sport England Capture Programme	7,200	7,200	7,200	21,600
Whole Sport Plan	6,000	7,000	7,000	20,000
TOTAL				

What other funders are currently considering the proposal?

Funders	£
Youth Sport Trust School Grant	15,000
Course income	8,000
TOTAL	23,000

19. Funding requested from the Trust

How much is requested from the Trust? (List main expenditure headings and amounts)

Expenditure heading	Year 1 £	Year 2 £	Year 3 £	Total £
Programme Officer Gross Salary + NI+P	26,000	26,780	27,583	80,363
TOTAL	26,000	26,780	27,583	80,363

20. Funding requested from the Trust (continued)

When will the funding be required?

01/09/2013

Is the activity to continue beyond the period for which funding is requested?

If so, how will it be resourced?

The aim of the programme is to develop self sustainable and self funding clubs throughout London with continued support from British Wheelchair Basketball. Also enabling each club to access local authority grants.

If any planning or other statutory consents are required for the project to proceed, what stage have the applications reached?

21. Referee

Please provide us with the contact details of a current or recent funder of your organisation who is willing to act as a referee.

Referee

Name: Nicky Pemberton

Organisation: The Lord Taverners

Address:

Head of Foundation
The Lord Taverners
10 Buckingham Place
London
SW1E 6HX


Tel: 020 7821 2828

E-mail: Nicky.Pemberton@lordstaverners.org

Declaration on behalf of applicant organisation

I, CHARLIE BETHEL (your name)
am an authorised representative of
BRITISH WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL (your organisation)
within which I am CHIEF EXECUTIVE (your position)

To the best of my knowledge, all the information that I have provided in this application form is correct. I fully understand that the City Bridge Trust has zero tolerance towards fraud and will seek to prosecute and recover funds in every instance.

Signature  Date 20th JUNE 2013

How your information will be used by the Trust

City Bridge Trust (which is administered as part of the Bridge House Estates by the City of London Corporation) processes personal data in compliance with the Data Protection Act 1998. The Trust obtains and uses information, including personal data, as part of the process of assessing grant applications and monitoring the use of grants. The information you provide on the application form may be made public as part of the assessment of this application. In addition, the Trust may share this information with third parties, including other funders, its external consultants and external auditors, police and regulatory bodies for the purpose of determining, preventing or detecting crime; or ensuring that no organisation is receiving duplicate funding; or the validation of contracts; or where this is otherwise required by law.

By signing and submitting your application form you give your explicit consent for us to use data relating to your application as set out above.

Our contact details for enquiries about how we process your information are:

The City Bridge Trust, City of London, PO Box 270, Guildhall, London EC2P 2EJ. Telephone: 020 7332 3710

Concerns over fraud and corruption

Should you, at any time, have concerns of fraud and corruption within your organisation relating to the grant, then please raise your concerns with us using our Whistle Blowing facilities. You may use our Audit team's 24 hour answer phone number, 020 7332 3663, to report the details or email raiseyourconcern@cityoflondon.gov.uk

Return the completed form to: The City Bridge Trust
City of London
PO Box 270
Guildhall
London EC2P 2EJ

Please

- do not send this application by fax or e-mail - unless applying online, applications must be posted to the Trust
- do send the information in the checklist - if items are missing, your application will be returned to you
- do send only the information in the checklist - if further information is required, we will contact you
- do ensure you have signed and dated this form - we cannot accept forms which have not been signed and dated
- do use the correct postage - the completed form and additional materials are likely to exceed 100g in weight