

Athlete Support

Application form and Guidance Notes

Gateshead Council is committed to help local athletes achieve their potential. To help competitive athletes, a range of sports grants and sports training passes are available for eligible sports men and women. To apply please complete the application form overleaf. Please make sure that you read and fully understand the guidance notes before you apply.

Individual Sporting Grant

Sporting grants are available only to those who reside within the Gateshead Borough boundaries. Grant aid is aimed at those who compete on an individual basis or are selected for representative teams. Sportspersons are entitled to apply for an award within each financial year beginning in April. Grants are given towards the costs of equipment and competing at a higher level.

Category A

A person who finishes in the first four of a Northern Counties Final or equivalent regional tournament will be considered for a £100 sporting grant.

Category B

A person who competes in a National Championships Final will be considered for a sporting grant of up to £200.

Category C

A person selected for international representation will be considered for a sporting grant of up to £400.

A Sports Training Pass will be issued to all recipients of individual sporting grants which will give you free use of certain sports facilities in Gateshead.

For further information or to discuss your application contact:

Sport, Physical Activity & Health Development Team
Gateshead Council,
Civic Centre, Regent Street
Gateshead NE8 1HH

Tel: 0191 433 8112

Email: sportdevelopment@gateshead.gov.uk



Sports Training Pass

Sports Training Passes are available only to those who live within the Gateshead Borough or those who are first claim members of a Gateshead Sports Club. An individual becomes eligible for a Sports Training Pass if:

- He/she has competed in a final of a County Championship of the National Governing Body of that particular sport.
- He/she has been selected to represent their County Association of the National Governing Body of the particular sport.
- Has been awarded an Individual Sporting Grant.

A pass will be issued which will allow free use of the following facilities:

- Track at Gateshead International Stadium.
- Gyms at Birtley Leisure Centre, Blaydon Leisure & Primary Care Centre, Dunston Activity Centre, Dunston Leisure Centre, Gateshead Leisure Centre, Gateshead International Stadium, and Heworth Leisure Centre. Please note age limits apply to the use of the gyms.
- Swimming at Birtley Swim Centre, Blaydon Leisure & Primary Care Centre, Dunston Leisure Centre, Gateshead Leisure Centre, and Heworth Leisure Centre.

Talented Athlete Scheme

As a legacy to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games, Gateshead Council is launching a new Talented Athlete support scheme aimed at providing financial support for athletes to reach their full potential. The scheme will provide financial support of up to £1000 for athletes to support the cost of the following:

- Travel (to training or competition)
- Accommodation (competition)
- Training
- Specialist support
- Equipment

In order to assess individual applications the following information will be required to support your application:

- Level of performance – i.e. the athlete must be registered within the World Class Performance Programme or National Governing Body of Sport equivalent, (evidence will need to be provided)
- Assessing the level of current financial support provided by National Governing Bodies of Sport.
- If an individual has received funding within the current financial year through the 'Individual Sporting Grant Scheme' (a maximum award of up to £1000 in the financial year is available).

Application Form

Sport Athlete Funding

Please read guidance notes before completing this form

1. Your details

Applicant's name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post code: _____

Tel No (home): _____ Tel No (work): _____

Email (parent/guardian's if under 16yrs): _____

School/College/University attended (if still in full time education):

Applicant's signature: _____

Parent/Guardian's name and signature (if under 16yrs): _____

2. Club details

Club name: _____ Contact Tel No: _____

Secretary's name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post code: _____

Club official signature: _____

3. Individual Sporting Grant & Sports Training Pass – Information required

Please provide details of competition placing: _____

Event (include weight, age, category etc where applicable): _____

Date: _____ Venue: _____

Level of competition (e.g County, Northern Region, National): _____

4. Talented Athlete Scheme - Information Required

Please confirm if you are an athlete registered on the World Class Performance programme or National Governing Body of sport equivalent (please provide details below and attach evidence in the form of a letter/email from your National Governing Body of Sport).

Please supply details of a local or national representative who can confirm the accuracy of the above information.

Name: _____ Contact Tel No: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post code: _____

Email: _____

Please provide a breakdown of the funding you are requesting:

Item	Please specify details	Funds requested
Travel (to training or competition)		
Training		
Equipment		
Accommodation		
Specialist Support		
Total		

5. Other financial support

Please supply details of any other sporting grants, personal financial support or prize money you receive.

Please return your completed form to:

sportdevelopment@gateshead.gov.uk or by post to Sport, Physical Activity & Health Development Team,
Gateshead Council, Civic Centre, Regent Street, Gateshead, NE8 1HH

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