Bexley Disability Sports Network Microgrants - Guidance for Applicants

Purpose

The Bexley Disability Sports Network Microgrants exist to increase and improve opportunities for the deaf and/or disabled community within Bexley to be able to engage and participate in sports and physical activities. This funding is for sports clubs and community groups that are operating within the London Borough of Bexley and providing (or looking to provide) sports and/or physical activity opportunities to those from the deaf and/or disabled community.

Overview

Amount available – Grants of up to £500 per application (a total of £3,000 available)

Application process – <u>Online application form</u> reviewed by the Sports Inclusion Officer and sent to a panel for consideration with a 2-week turnaround.

- Open for applications Monday 8th September 2025 (12pm)
- **Deadline for submissions** Monday 29th September 2025 (12pm)
- Applicants informed by Monday 13th October 2025 (4pm)
- Funds shared by Tuesday 14th October 2025 (3pm)
- **Deadline for funds to be spent** Monday 17th November 2025 (12pm)
- Deadline for monitoring to be returned Monday 24th November 2025 (4pm)

Criteria for funding

This funding can be used for:

• Equipment, venue hire, delivery costs, accessing training, running events and supporting marketing needs.

This funding **should not be** used for:

 Core costs (e.g. the essential, general operating expenses for an organisation to function, such as administrative staff salaries, office rent, utilities, insurance, and IT systems, rather than direct costs tied to a specific project), day-to-day processes or project management purposes.

If you are unsure whether you meet the eligibility criteria then please do get in touch with our Sports Inclusion Officer by emailing josh@bvsc.co.uk.

Eligibility requirements

In order to be eligible for this fund you **must be**:

- A sports club or community group operating with Bexley
- Currently providing or seeking to provide sports and/or physical activity opportunities for the deaf and/or disabled community
- Willing to provide reporting and/or case studies as monitoring where it is deemed to be appropriate by the given deadline outlined above
- Have a bank account in the name of the organisation and a constitution or governing document.