I have always been passionate about being Patron of the GLL Sport Foundation. Through our continued support of young sporting talent we have been able to make a significant difference to the lives of these athletes and improve their chances of competing at the top of their chosen sport.

It is vitally important that we inspire young people to excel in sport and harness their talent towards future successes. From my own experience starting out as a young athlete and progressing through my sport, I understand how important our support from the Foundation can be to the realisation of sporting ambitions.

Support to these young athletes also goes beyond the field of play. It has an educational value by promoting the opportunity that sport can bring and highlighting the benefits of encouraging healthy lifestyles to all in the community.

The future of the GLL Sport Foundation is very positive with the programme looking to support more athletes across our local communities throughout the UK.

Finally I would like to give my best wishes to all those athletes that been supported through the GLL Sport Foundation in 2016 and we look forward to continuing to support your journey in the years to come.

Sally Gunnell OBE
Patron, GLL Sport Foundation
SUPPORTING TALENT

The wealth of young sporting talent within our local communities is truly inspiring. It is the product of a wide ranging team of individuals and organisations that dedicate themselves to help bring positive opportunities to young people through sport. We are delighted to be part of this team and to be able to make a considerable contribution to this agenda.

The GLL Sport Foundation is the UK’s largest independent supporter of young sporting talent. With local authorities, sponsors and supporters we have now awarded over 10,600 athlete awards totalling over £6.1 million of support.

Our research identifies that a remarkable 91% of award recipients receive no other central funding support, this highlights the critical funding gap the programme covers, whereby elite athletes are now able to fund themselves to compete at National and International levels.

Our experience and direct feedback from athletes and partners tell us that the programme is contributing to the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic legacy, we are proud that we can make a positive contribution to this agenda and we remain committed to inspire others to follow.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors, partners and supporters who remain the lifeblood of this fantastic enterprise.

Peter Bundey, Chair, GLL Sport Foundation

KEY FACTS

£1,200,000 SUPPORT VALUE

2050 INDIVIDUAL ATHLETES SUPPORTED

91% OF SUPPORTED ATHLETES RECEIVE NO OTHER CENTRALISED FUNDING SUPPORT

105 OLYMPIC, PARALYMPIC, DEAFLYMPIC AND SPECIAL OLYMPIC SPORTING DISCIPLINES SUPPORTED
Whilst the GLL Sport Foundation is a National programme, the Foundation places equal focus, impact and promotion at a local level and in 2016 multiple events were run. This localised focus provided the core opportunity for local authorities and stakeholders to see the direct impact the programme is making to their local young people.

- The GLL Sport Foundation’s national event this year was held at the prestigious BT Tower. Sponsors were invited along to see where their contributions go, which was demonstrated via a panel of athletes that included Olympians Constantine Louloudis and Marcus Mepstead. GLL Sport Foundation patron Sally Gunnell attended the event, telling her athlete story and helping to present the sponsor awards.

- GLL, in partnership with Belfast City Council and Mary Peters Trust has now launched the GLL Sport Foundation to support talented athletes across Belfast. In the first year, we will support 57 athletes and the programme is set to grow year on year. The Lord Mayor of Belfast was in attendance at the event, in addition to quadruple Paralympic medallist Michael McKillop who is the Belfast ambassador of the GLL Sport Foundation.

The GLL Sport Foundation is an athlete focussed programme that looks to provide multiple benefits to supported athletes to improve their performance levels and their wider sporting lives.

Programme elements include:

- **Sport Science**
  - Crystal Palace Physiotherapy Group
  - Middlesex University and London Sport Institute
  - Rebound Physiotherapy, Belfast
  - Sports Injury Clinic and Human Performance Centre, University of Bath
  - The Physiotherapy Clinic, Gosling Sports Park
  - The Osborne Clinic, Newcastle
  - Highworth Physiotherapy Clinic

- **Coaching and employment opportunities**
  - Linked with GLL, the programme supported athletes with gaining sports qualifications, with the opportunity to progress to employment through coaching GLL Sports Courses to the junior members of our communities.

- **Training memberships**
  - Free training memberships were provided to supported athletes, enabling them to access Better sport and leisure venues across the UK. The aim of this was to support and complement their core training programmes.

Chloe Robyns-Landricombe from Bath used her membership and had GSF funded physiotherapy sessions to aid her Judo injury rehab, she said, “Thanks to the GLL Sport Foundation I was able to have a proper initial examination with a different physio. I couldn’t afford this normally so to have opportunity to start getting down to the real problem was relieving.”

“The physio sessions provided by the GLL Foundation have definitely help toward my recovery for my injured back. Katy Williams (physio) has helped by providing me with appropriate rehabilitation sessions and physiotherapy on my back thereby increasing my range of movement and reducing muscular tension.”

Further local events where athletes were given awards for the 2016/17 cycle included:

- Barnet
- Epsom and Ewell
- Reigate and Banstead
- Tower Hamlets
- Cumbria
- Islington
- Rugby
- West Oxfordshire

**FURTHER LOCAL EVENTS**

- Barnet
- Epsom and Ewell
- Reigate and Banstead
- Tower Hamlets
- Cumbria
- Islington
- Rugby
- West Oxfordshire

**National GLL Sport Foundation Award Event**

**Belfast GLL Sport Foundation Awards Event**

**Belfast City Council Sport Awards 2016**
INSPIRING COMMUNITIES

GLL Sport Foundation supported athletes play a vital role in inspiring and engaging our local communities in sport and physical activity. In 2016, supported athletes attended over 200 community events.

GLL directly link with hundreds of schools on a weekly basis, and supported athletes attend school assemblies, presented awards at school swimming gala as well as sports days and hosted Q&A sessions.

The nation’s biggest sports day; I Am Team GB, took place on Saturday 27th August across 2,500 venues throughout the UK. 30 of these were held at Better centres. In total, 25 GLL Sport Foundation supported athletes went to centres to help organise, coach and encourage the community participate in sport and physical activity. Sessions ranged from trampolining and handball to athletics and skateboarding.

Ambassador, Daniel Bramble (Athletics) attended the event at the Copper Box Arena which was one of the largest in the country. It attracted hundreds of children who then queued to take photographs, get autographs, and take part in the taster sessions. The event culminated in an International Handball competition.

Ambassador for the GLL Sport Foundation, Lutalo Muhammad, attended the Games and motivated the participants during the event, hosted a Q&A session and presented prizes to the winning participants.

The GLL Sport Foundation has a number of sponsors and partners that play a vital role in the sustainability of the programme and equally provide much needed funds and expertise for supported athletes. Supported athletes are appreciative of the support they receive and are enthusiastic in giving back to programme stakeholders.

In 2016, supported athletes attended various sponsor and partner dinners, presented at national conferences and showcased their sporting journeys. Pamela Relph, 2x GB gold medal Paralympian, attended Technogym’s annual sales conference, while other ambassadors attended GLL’s annual staff communications day in addition to centre openings and developments.
In 2016, GLL were the National physical activity partner for Sport Relief and with the help of over 100 GLL Sport Foundation athletes, GLL members, staff and our local communities over £325,000 was raised for the charity across the UK.

Over 100 supported athletes attended events up and down the country including a 24 tennis match, a cycle challenge across the country, a sponsored walk, and many centre events where athletes coaches and supported people to learn a new sporting skill.

Supported athletes also attended 1 mile legs of a National Swimming Challenge, where a GLL team swam at pools up and down the country. Supported athletes motivated the swimmers during each leg, took part in some and inspired local community members to take up the swimming challenge too.

Junior GLL diver Kyle Kothari attended the Chiltern leg and stated “The team are doing brilliantly. I wish them all the success for the rest of the swims. They are raising an amazing amount of money for this great charity and I’m happy to be here to motivate them to swim on.”

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The GLL Sport Foundation supported the below 45 athletes that have been selected for the Olympic and Paralympic Games, culminating in 19 medals being won for Team GB and 1 medal for Ireland.

Athletics:
- Dina Asher-Smith (21 years of age)
- Tom Powell (24 years of age)
- Jade Lolly (28 years of age)
- Daryll Neita (19 years of age)
- Constantine Louisoudis (25 years of age)
- Scott Durant (27 years of age)
- Olivia Carnegie-Brown (34 years of age)
- Alexandra Rickham (34 years of age)
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Para Athletics:
- Tania Nadarajah (36 years of age)
- Michael McKillop (26 years of age)
- Megan Giglia (31 years of age)
- Natalie Greenhough (22 years of age)
- Aled Davies (200m)
- Mitch Flegg (800m)
- Michael McKillop (26 years of age)
- Olivia Carnegie-Brown (4x100m relay)
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Rowing:
- Olivia Carnegie-Brown (25 years of age)
- Scott Durant (27 years of age)
- Constantine Louisoudis (24 years of age)
- Gracie Thoms (27 years of age)
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Synchronised Swimming:
- Aimee Willmott (23 years of age)
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Swimming:
- Graeme Thomas (27 years of age)
- Constantine Louisoudis (24 years of age)
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Para Swimming:
- James Andrew-Davis (25 years of age)
- Marcus Mepstead (24 years of age)
- Richard Kruse (31 years of age)
- Sarah Barrow (27 years of age)
- Tom Daley (22 years of age)
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Para Table Tennis:
- Susie Rodgers (32 years of age)
- Tully Kearney (19 years of age)
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Para Sailing:
- Pamela Relph (26 years of age)
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Para Cycling:
- Carly Tait (30 years of age)
- Vanessa Dadey (38 years of age)
- Aled Davies (200m)
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Para Judo:
- Louis Rolfe (19 years of age)
- Megan Giglia (31 years of age)
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Para Swimming:
- Amy Marren (17 years of age)
- Tolly Kearney (19 years of age)
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Para Table Tennis:
- Jane Campbell (47 years of age)
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Wheelchair Basketball:
- Joy Haiselden (17 years of age)
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Wheelchair Tennis:
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The number of athletes supported by the GSF that competed at the Games totalled forty five; the 20 medal successes further eclipsed the London 2012 and Olympic Games where fifty nine supported athletes won thirteen medals.

Olympics:
- Gold – Constantine Louisoudis (Rowing men’s 8+)
- Gold – Scott Durant (Rowing men’s 8+)
- Silver – Lu’shaba (Rowing mixed 2x1)
- Silver – Olivia Carnegie-Brown (Rowing women’s 1x)
- Bronze – Dina Asher-Smith (Athletics 4x100m relay)
- Bronze – Daryll Neita (Athletics 4x100m relay)
- Bronze – Tom Daley (Diving synchronised 10m platform)

Para Athletics:
- Gold – Aled Davies (F42 Shot Put)
- Gold – Megan Grisola (C4 Cycling – Individual Pursuit)
- Gold – Michael McKillop (T37 1500m)
- Gold – Pamela Ralph (Rowing – Mixed Coxed Four)
- Gold – Louis Rolfe (C2 Cycling – Team Sprint)
- Gold – Tanya Nadarajah (57 Swimming – 50m Butterfly)
- Bronze – Amy Marren (53 Swimming – 200m IM)
- Bronze – Aaron McKibbin (Para Table Tennis – Team)
- Bronze – Tanya Nadarajah (57 Swimming – 50m Freestyle)
- Bronze – Susie Rodgers (57 Swimming – 400m IM)
- Bronze – Louis Rolfe (C2 Cycling – Individual Pursuit)
- Bronze – Lucy Shaker (Wheelchair Tennis – Doubles)

Supported ambassador and Para GB athlete Susie Rodgers competed in her second Paralympics and surpassed her London 2012 performance by bringing home one gold and two bronze medals from Rio within the 57 swimming categories.

Susie explained the impact the Foundation makes, “I have been supported by GSF for over five years and their support has been vital for my para swimming journey. I can’t believe I’ve won gold, I was trying for the silver, if I’m honest.” Susie is now the most decorated Paralympian since GLL launched the programme in 2007, following her success at the Games.

GLL, through the Foundation are truly focussed on supporting the next generation of Olympians and Paralympian’s on their journeys towards Tokyo 2020 and beyond. The number of supported athletes is projected to be over 2500 across the UK.

The Foundation will aspire to support the next Tom Daley or Michael McKillop, and with multiple athletes within World Class performance programmes, namely first time Olympians Dina Asher-Smith and Daryll Neita already supported through the Foundation, we look forward to sharing in their continued success.
ATHLETE SUCCESSES: TIMELINE

January
- Tremayne Gilling (26 yrs) transfers over from sprinting to Bobsleigh and has now been selected for Team GB.
- Michael McKillop (26 yrs) wins Sports Person with a Disability at the Belfast Telegraph Sports Awards.
- Gavin Rumgay (32 yrs) January Athlete of the Month
- Nikita Petrak (11 yrs) wins SILVER to qualify for British Schools Championship.

February
- Liam Barnett (29 yrs) hosts and competes in successful GB Transplant Swimming Championships at Parkside Pools, Cambridge.
- Tin-Tin Ho (17 yrs) February Athlete of the Month
- Kristen Spors (16 yrs) visits to Great Britain at the World Figure Skating Championships in Boston.

March
- Charlie Shotton-Gill (33 yrs) wins European Powerlifting Championships.
- Sabrina Sinha (17 yrs) places 11th in the European Senior Cross Country Championships.
- Alex Nicholls (20 yrs) wins BRONZE in the mixed 10m synchro, and a BRONZE in the women’s 10m synchronised.

April
- Fionn Burn (17 yrs) competes in the Junior World Orienteering Championships.
- Matt Morris (15 yrs) wins SILVER at the World Paraclimbing Cup.
- Kieran Owens (14 yrs) and Trevor Thompson (17 yrs) Athletes of the Month.

May
- Thomas Marsh (13 yrs) supports Ice Hockey Players from Swindon selected for Team GB.
- Charlie Yawney (19 yrs) wins GOLD at the World Acrobatic Gymnastics Championships.
- Izzy Popiolek (14 yrs) selected for England junior Volleyball Team.

June
- William Burke (14 yrs) county champion for 5 years in a row.
- Daryll Neita (19 yrs) June Athlete of the Month
- Charlie Shotton-Gill (33 yrs) wins SILVER at the World Figure Skating Championships in Boston.

July
- ‘Be Inspired’ Open Days a success with many GSF athletes attending including Margaret Adeoye (31 yrs) and JJ Jegede (30 yrs), Iszy Popiolek (14 yrs) selected for England junior Volleyball Team.
- Emily Appleton (16 yrs) fantastic summer tennis season reaching finals and semi-finals at tough competitions.

August
- ‘I Am Team GB’ Open Days huge success with GSF athletes attending high profile events including ambassadors Lutalo Muhammad (17 yrs) and Daniel Borello (25 yrs).
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- Aimee Willmott (23 yrs) wins BRONZE in European Powerlifting Championships.

September
- Abbie Owen (16 yrs) fantastic season with a PB of nearly 20 seconds in the 800m.
- Anna Litvinenko (15 yrs) October Athlete of the Month
- Emily Appleton (16 yrs) fantastic summer tennis season reaching finals and semi-finals at tough competitions.

October
- ‘Paralympic Games results – 13 medals (6 GOLD, 7 BRONZE)’
- Johnnie Wilkinson (17 yrs) wins GOLD at the World Taekwondo Championships.
- Claudia Lance Jones (16 yrs) third in the British Cross Country Championships.

November
- London Disability Swimming Club December Athletes of the Month
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December
- Peter Vincent (22 yrs) goes up to number 1 ranking in Great Britain for his judo category.
- Peter Richards (15 yrs) speed skater breaks national record.
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PARTNERS

The GLL Sport Foundation is proud to have worked with our local authorities, public sector and sporting partners. It is their shared commitment to promoting sport and physical activity that enabled the GLL Sport Foundation to maximise its support of talented young athletes and local communities. GLL are expanding year on year, and in total we were able to support athletes in 46 areas in England, Wales and Northern Ireland in 2016.

England
- Cambridge City Council
- Allerdale Borough Council
- Bath and North East Somerset Council
- Cambridge City Council
- Cotswold City Council
- Cheltenham District Council
- Copeland Borough Council
- Crawley Borough Council – K2 Crawley (Freedom Leisure)
- Eden District Council
- Epsom & Ewell Borough Council
- Guildford Borough Council – Ash Manor / Guildford Lido / Guildford Spectrum (Freedom Leisure)
- Herefordshire Council (Halo Leisure)
- Manchester City Council
- Newcastle City Council
- North Somerset Council – Churchill Sports Centre
- Reading Borough Council – Reindeer Leisure Complex
- Regent and Barnstaple Borough Council
- Rugby Borough Council
- South Bute District Council
- South Lakeland District Council
- South Oxfordshire District Council
- Swindon Borough Council
- Telford and Wrekin Borough Council
- Vale of White Horse District Council
- West Oxfordshire District Council
- Woking Borough Council (Freedom Leisure)
- City of York Council

London
- Barking Sporthouse and Gym
- London Borough of Barnet
- London Borough of Camden
- Mayor of London – Crystal Palace National Sports Centre
- London Borough of Ealing
- London Borough of Hackney
- London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham
- London Borough of Hillingdon
- London Borough of Islington
- London Borough of Lambeth
- London Borough of Lewisham
- London Borough of Redbridge
- London Borough of Richmond
- London Borough of Sutton
- London Borough of Tower Hamlets
- London Borough of Wandsworth
- London Legacy Development Corporation – Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park
- Royal Borough of Greenwich
- Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea

Northern Ireland
- Belfast City Council
- Wells
- Bridgedge Borough Council (Halo Leisure)

In the following Local Authority partnerships, the GLL Sport Foundation works in partnership with the identified localised athlete support programme:

England
- Herefordshire Council – Halo Sport Foundation
- Rugby Borough Council – Rugby's Excellence in Sport Award
- West Oxfordshire District Council – West Oxfordshire Sports Awards

London
- London Borough of Hackney – Hackney Youth Sport Fund
- London Borough of Islington – Sport Islington
- London Borough of Lambeth – Lambeth Gifted and Talented Programme
- Royal Borough of Greenwich – Greenwich Starting Blocks

GLL and the GLL Sport Foundation work in partnership with the below leisure trusts, to operate the GLL Sport Foundation across their relevant partnerships:
- Freedom Leisure
- Yole Leisure
- North Country Leisure
- Tone Leisure

The GLL Sport Foundation works in partnership with National Governing Bodies of Sport and their talent pathways through the below National partnerships:
- SportsAid
- Sport England

The GLL Sport Foundation recognises the significant contribution of our sponsors and supporters. It is their shared commitment that enables the Foundation to be one of the largest independent supporters of young sporting talent in the UK.

1st Tier Sponsors:
- Crystal Palace Physiotherapy Group – London
- Middlesex University and London Sport Institute
- Rebound Physiotherapy – Belfast
- University of Bath – Physio & Sport Science Centre
- The Physiotherapy Clinic – Gosling Sports Park
- The Osborne Clinic – Newcastle
- Woking Borough Council (Freedom Leisure)
- Freedom Leisure
- Yole Leisure
- North Country Leisure
- Tone Leisure

2nd Tier Sponsors:
- McCabe Ford Williams
- Tennent Group
- The Physiotherapy Clinic – Gosling Sports Park
- The Osborne Clinic – Newcastle
- Woking Borough Council (Freedom Leisure)

3rd Tier Sponsors:
- Physiotherapy & Sport Science Partners:
- Cambridge City Council
- Allerdale Borough Council
- Bath and North East Somerset Council
- Cambridge City Council
- Cotswold City Council
- Cheltenham District Council
- Copeland Borough Council
- Crawley Borough Council
- Eden District Council
- Epsom & Ewell Borough Council
- Guildford Borough Council
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- South Oxfordshire District Council
- Swindon Borough Council
- Telford and Wrekin Borough Council
- Vale of White Horse District Council
- West Oxfordshire District Council
- Woking Borough Council (Freedom Leisure)
- City of York Council

Technogym UK Managing Director Steve Barton explained the core role the sponsorship plays for their business “The partnership with GLL and the GLL Sport Foundation is key to Technogym’s aspirations to support athletes and our wider communities. We are passionate about supporting sporting talent and through this programme we have seen and know our sponsorship truly making a positive difference to talented athletes up and down the UK. We look forward to supporting the programme and many athletes into future years”.
The GLL Sport Foundation is delighted to continue its partnership with SportsAid; this partnership provides the fundamental elements of award co-ordination, talent identification and alignment to the National Governing Bodies of Sport talent pathways and their nominations. As part of this long term agreement in 2016, SportsAid put forward 74 direct nominations from National Governing Bodies of Sport for their most talented athletes who are not currently on centralised funding. These athletes received joint GLL Sport Foundation and SportsAid awards. SportsAid also ensured that over 2000 athlete awards were aligned to the correct award level through NGB talent pathway verification.

Since the GLL Sport Foundation and SportsAid partnership began in 2009 over 570 athletes have directly benefited from £410,000 direct funding.

“We are really proud of the impact SportsAid’s partnership with the GLL Sport Foundation is making in sport, together we’re able to focus on giving young athletes across the UK recognition of their sporting potential and financial support to aid their development. Many of these young athletes aspire to compete in future Olympic and Paralympic Games and the support offered by the Foundation will make that possible.”

Tim Lawler
Chief Executive, SportsAid

2017 is set to be another record breaking year for the GLL Sport Foundation the programme is now the largest independent supporter of sporting talent across the UK and is recognised across the sport and local authority landscape. With the demand for support stronger than ever and with the funding gap in elite sport being increased ever further the Foundation will continue to fill the critical funding gap for thousands of National and International athletes.

The continued growth of GLL and our partnerships across the UK is very positive to the future of the GLL Sport Foundation and means we can extend our impact into new areas and communities. We already know that our support will be extended into 61 areas of the UK for 2017 meaning the programme will operate from Taunton to Newcastle and from London to Cardiff and Belfast.

To support the programme’s growth the infrastructure and governance of the Foundation will be developed including the inclusion of an athlete representative onto the Board; this will ensure the programmes continued athlete focussed positioning. The Foundation will also continue to build partnerships with core area partners to ensure the service we provide to athletes and stakeholders is the best possible.

With projections of over 2,500 athletes being supported the programme looks forward to supporting athletes across the UK and celebrating their successes in 2017.