

SURREY HEATH BOROUGH COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION FORM

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APPLICATION NO:

APPLICATION FOR A COMMUNITY FUND GRANT

1. YOUR ORGANISATION

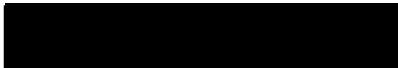
1.1 Organisation Name: **Turners Boxing Academy**

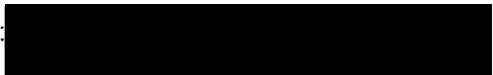
1.2 Principal Contact Name: **Leah Jackson**

1.3 Organisation Contact Address (for correspondence related to the application):

**Applemead,
Springfield Road,
Camberley,
Surrey,**

Post Code: **GU15 1AE**

Daytime telephone no: 

E-mail address: 

Amount applied for **£18,795**

1.4 Please confirm your organisation is 'not for profit' **Yes**

- 1.5 Organisation Type (please tick):
- Formally constituted Club/Association/Trust
 - Other public sector body
 - School/college
 - Other

1.6 How many members are in your organisation? up to 25 26-50 51-75
 76-100 101+

1.7 How long has the organisation existed? **2009**

- 1.8 Are you a registered charity? **No**
(If yes, please state the charity number)
- 1.9 Are you VAT registered? **No**
(If yes, please state VAT number)
- 1.10 Are you affiliated to a national organisation?
England Boxing, AIBA International Boxing Association
- 1.11 If yes, have you applied to them for funding?
Yes previously but not for this project
- 1.12 If not, please state your reasons for not doing so
Applying in a joint project with Collingwood College, and Surrey County Council
- 1.13 Please state where you're funding comes from?
Directly from members subscriptions and events

2. PROJECT DETAILS

- 2.1 Please describe the project in as much detail as possible. The information provided should accord with your Business Plan.

We, Turners Boxing Academy are located at Collingwood College and are a non-profit organisation run by volunteers who teach fitness and boxing to diverse local social groups. We focus on disadvantaged and disengaged youth, and adults.

We have a long term agreement with the school to use the Barossa facilities out of school hours in the evenings, weekends and school holidays. We have a permanent bag room and use the gymnasium and changing areas. The facility is in poor condition and the gymnasium does not have a ceiling or insulation, it has poor quality lighting, heating and decoration. We have been operating since 2009 but we are now losing members and struggle to attract new ones due to the poor condition of the facilities. Other local community groups and people are deterred from using the facility due to the gloomy and cold surrounds of the gymnasium. What heating there is simply passes straight out of the roof and the lighting is very old and really poor in quality.

We and the school want to refurbish the facility. We are applying to several sources of funding in a joint project. The school will fund raise and use its own available funds to improve the heating system and we propose to spend the community grant by installing a new ceiling, insulation, energy efficient LED lighting and decorate it to give it a warm and welcoming ambience. We will then start a new recruitment drive to get local people back to our club. At the same time the school will encourage other community groups to also use the facility.

As we get more people back and the school get more community groups to use the facility we will then link with Surrey Health & Wellbeing Board and Surrey Health Clinical Commissioning Group (SHCCG), we will do this as part of our role within the Old Dean Priority Group and we will start to introduce

facility users to the Surrey's Heaths health improvement campaigns such as NHS Health Check, Change 4 Life, Smoke free, Stoptober and Dry January.

The overall project aim will be to get more local people active by doing sport and introduce them to preventative health initiatives and specifically target the 'hard to reach' members of our community that we have been so successful in engaging with previously.

2.2 What is the timescale of the project?

Start Date: 27th July 2015

Completion Date: 11th April 2016 of refurbishment

2.3 Who will benefit from the project, the wider community or a small section?

Both. We will engage generally with residents of the Old Dean, Town and St. Michael's communities. We will also specifically focus on the 'hard to reach' marginalised and low income youth and adults of both genders in these areas.

2.4 Please describe your current facilities.

Boxing bag room with permanent training ring, gymnasium and changing rooms.

2.5 What other activities/services are offered at this site?

Education during the school day (PE, assemblies, years 7-9 and exams year 11) but also community usage of the facilities out of school hours. For a while now we have been the only club using the facilities out of school hours due to its poor condition.

2.6 Can any additional activities/services be offered on completion of the project which will benefit the local community?

Yes our initial focus will be to get members and users back to our club and start to increase participation again. Once we and have done this we and the school will introduce users to ill health prevention and well-being campaigns. We will then encourage additional community groups to use the facility e.g. weight management classes, smoking cessation classes, and other fitness classes to target different members of the community that have different fitness interests/goals.

2.7 How many people use the current facilities?

854 regular students (years 7,8,9) during each school day, 908 occasional students (years 10-13) and 60 community users each week.

Annual Community User Visits (excluding school PE)

2012 4,872 90 weekly visits

2013 3,165 60 weekly visits

2014 3,087 59 weekly visits

2.8 How many people will use the facilities on completion of the project?

972 regular students (years 7,8,9) during each school day, 889 occasional students (years 10-13) and 60 community users each week.

Projected Annual Community User Visits (excluding school PE)

2015 3,571 68 weekly visits

2016 4,680 90 weekly visits

2017 5,824 112 weekly visits

2018 6,240 120 weekly visits

2.9 Over what period will the community benefit from the completion of the project?

up to 12 months 1 to 2 years 2 to 3 years over 3 years

2.10 Is it necessary to be a member of your organisation to participate in its activities?

No we encourage all participants. This will include 'drop in', taster and those that are on low incomes. We state on our website "Student and low income special rates on application and treated in strictest confidence". We are fully inclusive and want to encourage participation.

2.11 Does your organisation charge a membership fee and if so, how much is the charge?

Juniors (8-16yrs) £2- £3 per session and Seniors (17+) £3- £5 per session. All sessions are 'pay as you go'.

2.12 When was the membership fee last increased?

It has never been increased.

2.13 Which parts of the local area do your members tend to come from?

Old Dean, Town, St. Michaels.

2.14 Does your organisation have open days to encourage new members? **Yes**

2.15 How many people regularly use your facility? **1000+**

2.16 Are numbers increasing at your facility? If not, please set out why you think this might be the case.

Usage is decreasing significantly due to the poor condition of the gymnasium. During the winter months the facility is so cold and dark and unwelcoming that people are put off from even trying out the facility. We have asked the local community that used to be part of our club why they left and the vast majority have said the same thing: cold, dark and uninviting facility. When asked if the heating, insulation, lighting and decoration could be improved would they then consider returning to the club; the over whelming response has been yes. We are currently the only regular user of the facility out of school hours but we will not be able to continue if we keep losing members and cannot attract new ones.

- 2.17 Please state how your application recognises the diverse needs of your existing and possible future members

We engage with people in the local community who do not have the opportunity to take part in sport or have limited access to positive role models. We work with NEET individuals, ex-offenders, those excluded from school and 'harder to reach'; marginalized families and those with social and learning difficulties. We work with the local police and Youth Support Service to help facilitate social integration.

We provide a safe environment where individuals can come and be active and positive, learn new skills, make new friends and embrace the community. We offer the Boxing Awards, which can be incorporated in the teaching of ASDAN and COPE qualifications at the school. We also offer the opportunities to train as a coach for those who may wish to develop skills or volunteer with people and become a positive role model.

We hold very true to our ethos of social inclusion, respect of self and others, positivity promotion through health and fitness. Through our 'Connecting with the Community' project several individuals have been referred by the police to us and are now boxing competitively and volunteering for us.

We see a natural integration with our core values and the values of The Surrey Heath Sustainable Community Strategy:

- Children and Young People – improve learning, health and employment outcomes for children and young people, particularly the vulnerable and disadvantaged
- Health and Wellbeing – promote healthy lifestyles, particularly targeting groups and communities at most risk
- Housing, Infrastructure and Environment – achieve better standards of development to deliver more social, environmental, and economically sustainable benefits
- Safer and Stronger Communities – improve public confidence in the ability of public services to keep residents safe, reduce crime and anti-social behaviour, strengthen local communities through targeted public and voluntary sector activity, active citizenship and work to tackle inequalities

3. PROJECT SITE

- 3.1 What is the location of the project?

Collingwood College – specifically the Barossa area of the College

- 3.2 What is the tenure of the property? (If leased, please give details. If monies are to be repaid, please give details.)

10 year agreement to use the facilities (6 years remaining 31st March 2021)

- 3.3 What is the current condition of the property and are any other works being carried out?

Poor. There is insufficient heating or insulation in the gymnasium, and the lighting is of low quality.

3.4 Permission may be required under building regulations and relevant planning acts. Please give details of the authorisation obtained.

Permission and authorisation is in place. This is a joint project with the school. The school will obtain all relevant permissions and comply with relevant statutory regulations.

Note: Where permission is required and has not been obtained, the application will not progress. Approval of the grant does not signify approval under any other council requirements such as planning permission.

3.5 Have you obtained, and enclosed with your application, two quotes for the work to be carried out? **Yes. The school will co-ordinate all works.**

3.6 If required, have you obtained architect's plans or sketches and details of planning or building regulation consent? Have you enclosed these with your application? **NA**

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4. PROJECT COSTS

4.1 How much grant are you applying for?

4.2 What do you anticipate the total project cost to be?

COST ITEM

4.3 Please give a breakdown of costs (purchase of land/buildings, professional fees, VAT etc).

Ceiling, insulation & lights

Upgrade Heating

Decoration, fire doors

Roofing Works

Other costs (Enabling works, building control, waste, electrics, asbestos, H&S)

4.4 Is your organisation contributing any of its own finances to the project? (If not, please explain why.)

We are non-profit making and all of our income covers operating expenses only.

4.5 Have you applied for funding from any other source? Please supply evidence of the application, whether successful or not, and, if successful please advise how much you received?

This is a joint project the school is applying to Surrey Leaders Community fund, Academies Condition Improvement Fund and the school is also funding some of the project costs from its own limited funds.

4.6 What additional fund-raising have you undertaken?

We have run 2 additional boxing events to generate additional income but at the moment any additional money we have raised has been put into the running of the club to cover costs. We are unable to run these events in the winter months due to the poor condition of the facility the AIBA have stated that we can no longer host certain events in the facility specifically due to its condition. This has reduced our events income considerably.

4.7 Do your present funds contain any provision for future commitments? **No**

4.8 Please provide details of any other regular revenue or capital payments to your organisation?

No liabilities. Our only regular payment is to the school to rent the facility.

4.9 How much additional income will be generated on completion of the project?

Please see accompanying Income/Expenditure Projections Spreadsheet:

2015 Boxing Club Income projected to be £20,571

2016 Year 1 £28,124 + £7,553

2017 Year 2 £34,043 + £13,472

2018 Year 3 £38,832 + £18,261

Cumulative increase + £39,286 over 3 years

All projected increased based on increased hours of usage, and increased community user attendances. Price per visit assumed to remain at an average of £4 per visit.

4.10 Does your organisation have money set aside for the future sustainability of the project or maintenance of any equipment? Please explain how these areas will be catered for.

We do not have any funds set aside. However if the facilities are improved we will attract more members and users and we will be able to host more events and competitions which will generate significant income for us that can then be invested back into the club for equipment renewal, and volunteer coach training. The club will become self-financing again and sustainable and this will be written into our operating/budget plan.

5. **Risk**

5.1 If your application is unsuccessful how will your organisation fund the project?

The school will invest what limited funds it can into the heating improvement of the facilities which will help enormously and they are applying to the Surrey

Leaders community fund and Academies Condition Improvement Fund. We will search for additional sources of funding e.g. Big Lottery, Sport England but we cannot get access to certain Sport England funding as it is not for building refurbishment. In addition, the school was successful in applying for Sport England Inspired Facilities in 2012 in a joint application with two community gymnastics clubs and are therefore not able to re-apply to that particular fund. The Surrey Heath Community fund specifically aligns with our ethos and needs.

5.2 What is the risk to your organisation if the project doesn't happen?

The risk is that we will not be able to continue as an organisation. We have to attract more members and the only way to do this is to improve the facilities.

5.3 How will you mitigate/reduce the risk?

The risk is mitigated by working jointly with the school. We desperately want to continue the work that we do working with local marginalised people and we are absolutely committed to this. But we cannot do this in isolation and we need help. Our members are telling us that it is the condition of the facility that is the reason they are leaving.

5.4.1 The Council will fund up to 75% of the cost of applications up to £2,000 and up to 50% between £2,001-£25,000. If your project is not awarded the amount requested how will your organisation fund the rest of its cost?

As stated above this is a joint project with the school who are fund raising for this project. We will also seek additional funders that will support refurbishment of the facilities if this application is unsuccessful.

6. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

6.1 What age groups will you cater for? >5 6-10 13-16 17-25
 26-40 41-60 60+

6.2 Provision for use by which gender? Female Male Both

6.3 Does your organisation serve specific group: Ethnic minority groups
 Religious groups
 Disabled groups
 Unemployed groups
 Single parent family groups
 Other (please specify)

We are fully inclusive

6.4 How will the community benefit from the completion of the project?

The most prevalent health conditions in Surrey Heath are hypertension, obesity, asthma, diabetes, and depression and these are increasingly even amongst younger members of the community (16+). Coronary heart disease is high within the local population of the Old Dean and there are particularly high rates of adult smoking here (38%) and (28%) in the neighbouring ward of St. Michaels.

We have one of the highest rates of increasing risk drinking in the country. Less than a third of adults here eat healthily, over a fifth are obese, and almost 9/10 adults are not physically active. The life expectancy of residents on the old Dean estate is 6 years less than the neighbouring ward of St. Paul's. This is attributed to a number of indices but most prevalent is lifestyle.

Overall, Surrey Heath is not a deprived Local Authority, but that masks health inequalities and there are 'deprivation hotspots' where life expectancy is lower, and health outcomes are poorer. By refurbishing the facility the project aims to engage with local community groups and people and provide a place for them to come together and make a positive change to their life style choices and in doing so counter some of these deprivation led health inequalities.

The wider community will benefit by having access to the refurbished facilities. As usage by local people and community groups increases we will be able to promote ill health prevention programmes offered by the various agencies at the improved facility. We have been very successful in engaging with 'hard to reach' and disengaged local people in the past and we have been involved in numerous community events. We will continue to do our outreach work by working with local organisations like the Old Dean Priority Group, Old Dean residents association (ODCoG), Police, Youth Support Service and the and the School. We will encourage greater usage of the facility we will be able to get more local people more physically active more often. As participation and usage of the facility increases we will then be able to promote wellness and introduce users to ill health prevention campaigns. Our community will benefit through better health and wellbeing outcomes. We will do this by focusing on objective 2 of the five objectives of Surrey Wellbeing:

1. Improve children's health and wellbeing;
2. Develop a preventative approach;
3. Promote emotional wellbeing and mental health;
4. Improve older adult's health and wellbeing;
5. Safeguard our population;

6.5 How will you measure the success of the project?

The current usage of the facility is extremely low with only us regularly using it out of school hours. Weekly usage by our club is only 30% of the available out of school hours' time. By refurbishing the facility the objective will be to increase the weekly hour's usage of it by us and other community groups.

Objective 1: Increase adult participation in physical activity at the facility by targeting users to complete at least 150 minutes of activity a week;

Objective 3: Introduce Weight Management and general fitness classes in the facility;

Objective 3: Promote positive role models and healthy lifestyles and actively encourage wellness and ill health prevention to users of the facility e.g. cessation of smoking, alcohol awareness, active lifestyles;

Target 1: Increase our weekly use of the facility from 8 weekly hours 2015 to 12 weekly hours by 2018;

Target 2: Increase the usage of the facility by other community groups when we are not using it from 0 weekly hours to 10 weekly hours by 2018;

Target 3: Promote Surrey's health improvement campaigns at the facility: NHS Health Check, Change 4 Life, Smoke free, Stoptober and Dry January.

6.6 How did you become aware of this fund? **Surrey Heath Website**
DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED WITH THE APPLICATION

Please send copies of these documents with your application (please tick).

- A copy of your organisation's constitution**
- Copies of your organisations audited accounts for the last two years**
- Copies of statements of current or investment account balances (as at date of application)**
- Copies of two written estimates for the purchase or hire of any equipment or work to be undertaken**
- Evidence you have applied to other sources of funding**

Also, if applicable:

- Proof of tenure of the property
- Copies of building regulations or planning permission
- Any architects plans or sketches

N.B. Failure to provide this information will immediately disqualify the application.

7. DECLARATION

I certify that the information provided on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge. I agree that if the Council award a Community Fund grant to my organisation, I will comply with the grant conditions attached to the payment.

Signed:

Position: **TBA Chairperson Surrey Boxing HON. Secretary of AIBA**

Print Name: **LEAH JACKSON**

Date: **02/06/2015**