

# SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

Overview and achievements (January – December 2015)



- 434 individuals were supported to become coaches, officials and leaders.
- 207 people attended 13 different coach education courses, including Safeguarding and Protecting Children
- 28 elite sports people have been supported through our Free Access for National Sportspeople (FANS) scheme.
- £224,235 of external funding was secured to deliver community sport in Plymouth.
- Attracted the national launch of Ping! which took place on 13 June 2015 in the City Centre Piazza
- The Ping! Plymouth initiative saw over 78,000 attendances over the eight week street festival in the Summer of 2015.
- 351 people took part in seven different Plymouth Games events.
- 629 young people took part in a variety of Sportivate sporting programmes designed for 14 to 25 year olds.
- Secured a £249,500 grant from Sport England, in partnership with the Plymouth Sports Board to increase local opportunities for people (14yrs+) living within Plymouth's most deprived neighbourhoods to become more active.
- Supported 25 city events including Lord Mayors Day, Sky Ride, Respect Festival, Armed Forces Day, International Women's Day.
- Delivered a successful Sports Summit in partnership with the University of St Mark and St John
- Coordinated ten Street Games Doorstep Sport Clubs across the city.
- Supported two community engagement festivals as part of the 2015 Rugby World Cup.
- The Unit received a total of 123,893 attendances to all their activities and events.
- The Unit retained their Customer Service Excellence (CSE) standard, the UK Government's national standard for excellence in customer service.
- The Unit retained their QUEST accreditation, a national award that defines industry standards and good practice.
- Appointed a tennis specific apprentice for the city in partnership with the Lawn Tennis Association to increase community tennis opportunities.
- Supported Thrive Plymouth by providing a variety of workplace activities and opportunities linked to the Workplace Challenge and the Workplace Wellbeing Charter.
- Delivered 26 different National Governing Body of Sport informal/ recreational programmes including no-strings badminton, netball now, just play football, back to hockey, smile its rounders and breeze cycling.

- Delivered and supported 32 running groups for all abilities, including complete beginners and people wanting to complete a half-marathon.
- Piloted six new community sessions including nordic walking, walking football, outdoor fitness, field gun and laser shooting.
- Delivered four over 60's learn to swim programmes which helped 48 elderly people to swim.
- Attracted one of the regions flagship events for the Great British Tennis Weekend, which took place on 1 and 2 August 2015 at Devonport Park.
- Developed five new inclusive sports programmes providing opportunities for disabled people to play sport including SEND climbing, mental health football, boccia and new age curling sessions
- Delivered five activity days for families with disabled children in partnership with PCC's short breaks service.
- Attracted and delivered the South West's National Paralympic Day event, which took place on 5 August 2015 in the city centre Piazza.
- Supported a number of different BME communities and organisations to access sporting opportunities including Kurdish midnight football, Portuguese football, Filipino basketball, Plymouth Hope and the Devon and Cornwall Refugee Support Council.

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