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❖ WELCOME ❖



It has been an exciting year of significant impact and strategic progress for the Foundation in our mission to champion opportunity for all and make a positive difference to people's lives locally, nationally and internationally.

Locally, the Foundation awarded £1.8m in grants and donations to organisations in Merton and Wandsworth supporting people facing a wide range of issues including food poverty, loneliness, poor mental health and homelessness.

Through these organisations, the Foundation team encounters inspirational people making an extraordinary contribution to our local community. We chose to celebrate these individuals through a striking photography exhibition titled 'Champions of Merton and Wandsworth' which went on display in Wimbledon and Wandsworth town centres in the spring and at Battersea Power Station in the autumn.

Our national programme, Set for Success, in partnership with Barclays and delivered by Youth Sport Trust, has expanded from 51 to 81 schools around the country over the last year. Set for Success continues to demonstrate significant impact with an independent report by Sheffield Hallam University showing that for every £1 invested, the programme generates £5.63 of social value through improving young people's wellbeing and life chances.

Internationally, the Foundation continues its support for WaterAid and is now halfway through its four-year commitment of £2.2m towards projects in Malawi, Mozambique and Pakistan which will improve health outcomes for more than 250,000 people. We also

continue our annual donation to the British Red Cross Disaster Fund which, sadly, has been very active over the last year responding to multiple emergencies around the world including the earthquake in Myanmar and the ongoing crises in Ukraine, Sudan and the Middle East, as well as people in the UK affected by emergencies such as storms and flooding.

A special highlight of the year was the appointment of our first Wimbledon Foundation Champions - Katie Boulter and Jack Draper - who will help to raise awareness of the many fantastic charities and their vital work that we support.

Another highlight was the growth of our Work at Wimbledon scheme which provides an assisted pathway for people supported by local charities to access jobs at The Championships. This year saw a step-change in participation with 143 people employed to work across ten different teams, a 138% increase on the previous year.

My sincere thanks go to the All England Club and The Championships for its unwavering support; to the Wimbledon Foundation team and Trustees for their ongoing dedication; Official Partners who support our work; and to the staff and volunteers at our charity partners working tirelessly to care for people.



Bruce Weatherill
Chairman
Wimbledon Foundation



* 2024/25 AT A GLANCE *

£4.76m

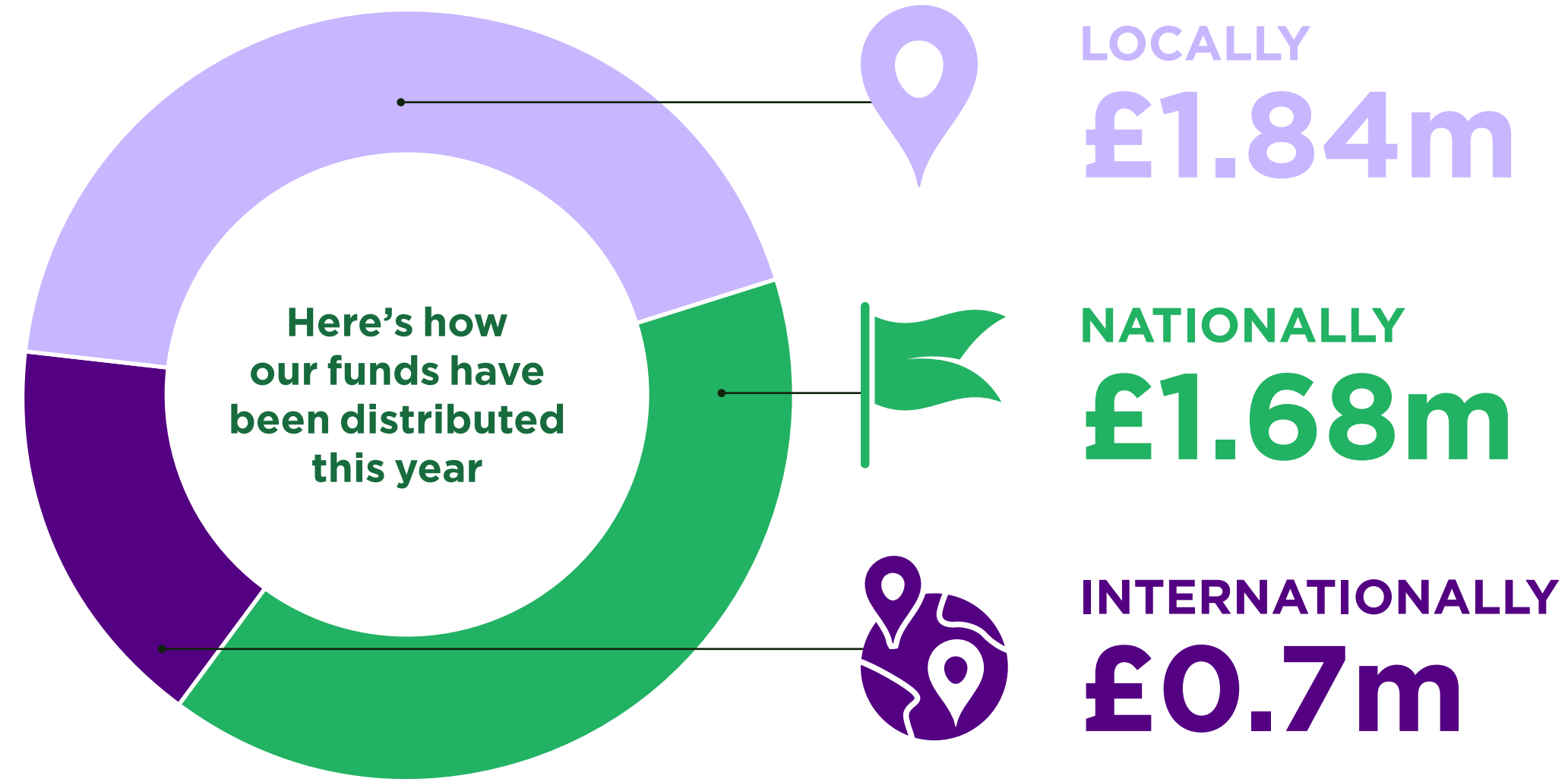
expended on charitable activities

▲ Increase of 4.9% on 2023/24

£4.21m

awarded in grants and donations

▲ Increase of 4% on 2023/24



Gifts-In-Kind

More than 15,000 items were distributed to local and national charities including:

5,000

plants from The Championships to 38 local organisations including hospitals, hospices and charities

4,500

Championships towels to organisations including homeless shelters, a women's refuge and charities supporting families in need

3,000

items of clothing to local charities including Little Village baby bank, Merton Centre for Independent Living, Katherine Low Settlement and Women of Wandsworth

500

mugs to charities supporting older people for Christmas gift boxes

40

tennis nets to parks and schools across Merton and Wandsworth



£1.8m

to projects in our local community of Merton and Wandsworth



138

organisations supported



226,683

people reached



23

countries supported through our international partnerships



143

people from local charities employed at The Championships



81

secondary schools across the UK taking part in our Set for Success programme



Making a difference

LOCALLY





❖ WIMBLEDON FOUNDATION COMMUNITY FUND ❖



Aim:

to meet social needs and reduce inequalities in Merton and Wandsworth

58

projects awarded funding

48%

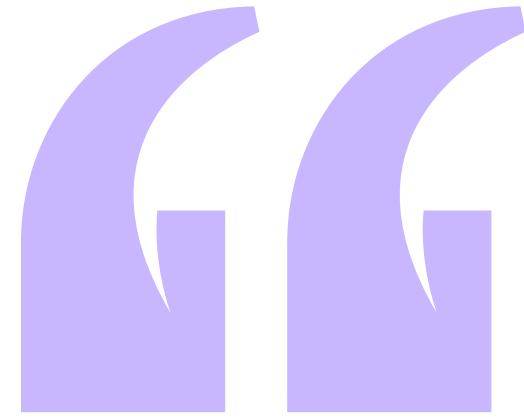
received a grant for the first time

£506k

awarded

50,000

people in Merton and Wandsworth have been supported through 345 Community Fund grants since 2014.



MertonPlus is proud to provide a vital platform for LGBTQ+ people in Merton to connect, be heard, and feel safe. This funding from the Wimbledon Foundation will help us expand our monthly socials, organise inclusive community events, and support local queer-led initiatives - helping to build a stronger, more connected and accepting borough for everyone.”

Harry Platts, MertonPlus



Supporting Wandsworth as London's Borough of Culture

Working with Wandsworth Council's Borough of Culture team, we supported their cultural programme by increasing the total amount of funding on offer by £100,000 and extending the remit of our Community Fund for one round, inviting grant applications for community arts projects which engage local residents.

Grants totalling more than £125,000 were awarded to 15 Wandsworth-based community arts projects, 10 of which were receiving funding from the Wimbledon Foundation for the first time.

Beneficiaries include Kunsaka, to fund a weekly 'arts and nature for wellbeing project' for older people from minority communities, and Living Communities CIC, to fund a mural art project at Franciscan Road Family Centre working with young adults with special educational needs and disabilities and their families.



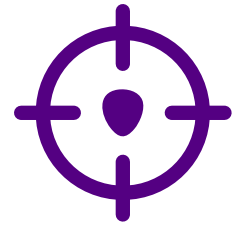


Every Tuesday at HMP Wandsworth, something remarkable happens - in Europe's largest prison, voices rise together in song, creating moments of hope in one of the country's most challenging environments. As one prison officer said: 'What stuck with me the most is seeing the prisoners almost having an out of body experience and feeling like for that short time, they were not in a jail.' This transformative work, generously supported by the Wimbledon Foundation, is made possible by Liberty Choir whose belief in the power of music to change lives enables us to continue bringing dignity and purpose to men who need it most."

MJ Paranzino and Ginny Dougary, Liberty Choir UK



❖ COMMUNITY FUND PLUS ❖



Aim:

to strengthen the sustainability and resilience of smaller user-led organisations

7

projects awarded two-year grants

£242k

awarded

Two-year continuation funding was awarded to seven local charities to support their core running costs:

Be Enriched

Towards their Tooting Canteen and their Food Bus service which provides affordable fresh produce to people living in Wandsworth.

Devas Club

To fund an additional part-time youth worker to sustain and develop their daily After School Juniors Club in Battersea, ensuring the most disadvantaged or at-risk young people can access the provision.

Ethnic Minority Centre

Towards their Project Director to enable coordination of service delivery, fundraising and organisational development, as well as creative Maths classes for secondary school aged pupils and massage sessions for older people and carers.

Home-Start Wandsworth

Towards a new Operations Manager role and the co-ordination of the Bump to Baby home-visiting service, including its expansion in Roehampton.

MindworksUK

Towards funding qualified counsellors to provide free counselling over 12 sessions for 48 clients presenting with complex mental health issues, and the supervision costs of trainee counsellors.

The Jack Lonergan Foundation

To support children from low-income families to develop life-long musical skills through 60 one-hour beatboxing sessions a year plus school holiday provision.

Unique Talent CIC

To fund six media production and business courses plus six months of mentoring for disadvantaged and at-risk young people predominantly from minority communities.



SPOTLIGHT ON:

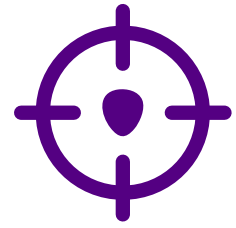
Home-Start Wandsworth

Core funding from our Community Fund Plus enabled Home-Start Wandsworth to strengthen its capacity and reach by recruiting a new operations manager to oversee all three of the charity's services. The grant also supported the coordination and expansion of the Bump to Baby home-visiting service into Roehampton, providing up to 40 families a year with tailored support from specially trained volunteers throughout the perinatal period.





* HEALTH & WELLBEING FUND *



Aim:

to improve people's mental health and wellbeing, particularly those at higher risk of poor mental health including young people, disabled people, minority groups and LGBTQIA+ people

9

charities awarded three-year grants

£200k

awarded

Our nine Health & Wellbeing Fund partners are:

CARAS

Supporting unaccompanied asylum-seeking children through connection, stability and empowerment.

CDARS

Supporting young people aged 18 -25 experiencing mental health issues including anxiety, self-harm, suicide ideation and substance misuse.

Hestia Housing & Support

Supporting children impacted by domestic abuse.

Inner Strength Network

Supporting girls from minority backgrounds.

Off the Record Youth Counselling

Supporting young people aged 11-25.

Share Community

Supporting adults with learning disabilities and autism.

The Furzedown Project

Supporting disabled people, LGBTQIA+ people and older people who are socially isolated.

Wandsworth Carers Centre

Supporting young carers.

Waste Not Want Not Battersea

Supporting anyone in need through a healthy eating programme.



SPOTLIGHT ON:

CDARS' Sunlight Youth Programme

Community Drug and Alcohol Recovery Services (CDARS) project 'CDARS' Sunlight Youth Programme' is a wraparound programme for young people aged 18-25 experiencing mental health issues and other complex needs. In 2024, we awarded CDARS a three-year grant of £50,000 to pay for a part-time neurodiversity specialist and a part-time young people counsellor.

The CDARS' Sunlight Youth Programme addresses the triggers of mental health issues for young people. It also tackles specific issues such as self-harm and suicidal ideation, as well as providing tailored support for neurodivergent clients who are at greater risk of depression, other acute mental health conditions, and addiction.



SPOTLIGHT ON:

Share Community

Share has made significant progress since launching its project supporting adults with learning disabilities and autism in September 2024. The charity has successfully recruited staff, delivered a wide range of activities, built strategic partnerships, and completed key research. 109 Health & Wellbeing sessions and seven Mindful Moments sessions have been delivered, and five Student Health & Wellbeing Ambassadors have been recruited. Share has also paired 10 students with volunteers through its befriending programme, partnered with a GP to support annual health reviews and is collaborating with a diabetes specialist nurse to provide tailored educational resources and improve access to healthcare. Five people supported by Share secured roles at The Championships 2025 through our Work at Wimbledon scheme.

During the first year of funding:

812

people reported improved confidence

564

people reported feeling less isolated

647

reported improved wellbeing

812

people reported being better able to manage their own health



❖ GET SET, GET ACTIVE FUND ❖



Aim:

to help people of all ages and abilities to be more physically active and socially connected

28

grants awarded

12

different sports and activities represented

£91k

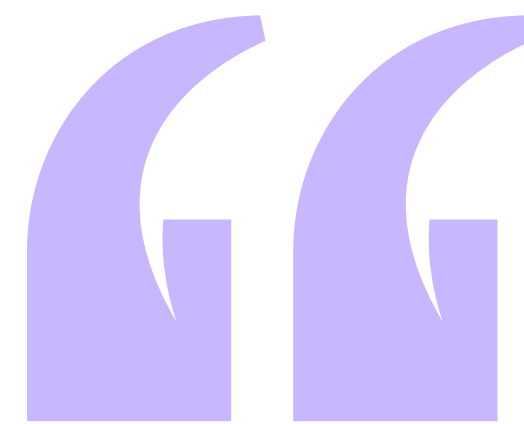
awarded

Improved wellbeing

Alma lives with fibromyalgia but said she found joy, improved sleep, and renewed motivation from going to creative dance sessions run by Nine Elms Arts Ministry. Thelma described the classes as “replenishing,” helping her to regain balance, confidence, and a sense of community.

Improved mental health

George struggled with severe social isolation and found group settings overwhelming. He began attending Motspur Park Community Football Club sporadically and remained on the periphery. Over time, the non-pressured, welcoming environment helped George to feel safe and the shared focus on football allowed for natural interaction without forced conversation. Today, George attends regularly, engages with teammates, and is forming genuine friendships.



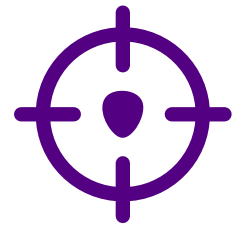
Seeing George go from barely speaking to laughing and encouraging teammates shows the power of sport to break down barriers that mental health challenges create.”

Motspur Park Community Football Club



Round 8 of the Get Set, Get Active Fund saw 798 sessions delivered amounting to 1,279 hours of physical activity. 1,350 participants were reached through funded activities.

* WIMBLEDON FOUNDATION HOMELESSNESS FUND *



Aim:
to end homelessness in our local community

7

grants awarded

£740k

awarded

Our Homelessness Fund awarded seven grants including four three-year grants to charities supporting people experiencing homelessness in our local community of Merton and Wandsworth.

Ace of Clubs, Faith in Action Merton Homelessness Project, Glass Door Homeless Charity and Spires received core funding to help to increase their organisational capacity meaning they are better placed to help vulnerable people off the streets and towards healthy and positive futures.

Ace of Clubs

Operates an open-access day centre in Clapham five days a week, providing an essential lifeline of support to an average of 180 people a day.

Faith in Action Merton Homelessness Project

Operates a drop-in day centre twice a week and a nightly winter night shelter from December to March each year. In 2023/24, the drop-in centre saw a 31% annual rise in the number of visits.

Glass Door Homeless Charity

Glass Door's work in Wandsworth includes a five-day a week drop-in casework service which provides dedicated one-to-one support to clients and running a winter night shelter each night between November and April.

Spires

Supports people facing multiple and complex issues including homelessness, substance abuse and women engaged in sex work. Our funding will help support their new drop-in service in Wandsworth benefitting around 100 people a year.



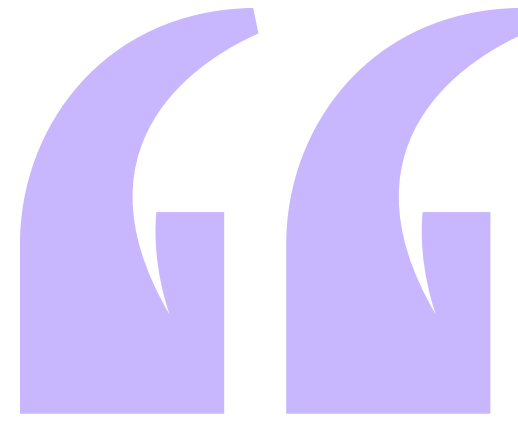


Working with Crisis

A three-year grant to Crisis supports six roles in their Housing First and Housing Procurement teams who play a key role in helping Crisis members into safe accommodation as quickly as possible and in providing wraparound support according to people's needs to help them keep their home for good.

Winter Night Shelters

We continue to make annual donations to the Merton Winter Night Shelter run by Faith in Action and the Wandsworth shelter run by Glass Door, both of which provide a safe and warm place to sleep, hot meals and advice to help people get back on their feet.



The Wimbledon Foundation's support has greatly helped to strengthen Glass Door's resilience and efficiency across various areas including streamlining our office and administration systems, launching our Lived Experience Group, further developing our monitoring and evaluation processes, introducing additional wellbeing support for our caseworkers, and strengthening our partnerships with other organisations for the benefit of our guests."

Alicia Feetham, Glass Door Homeless Charity



Wimbledon Foundation Champion Katie Boulter helps to serve meals at Ace of Clubs



* LOCAL STRATEGIC GRANTS *

City Harvest London

In 2022, we awarded a three-year grant to City Harvest London to sponsor one of their refrigerated vans. Over the last three years:

1.91m

meals have been delivered to community organisations across London – redistributing 802 tonnes worth of food

£2.86m

of food has been provided which would otherwise have gone to waste, enabling organisations to spend these funds on their vital services

1,989

tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions prevented



AFC Wimbledon Foundation

A three-year grant is supporting their Women and Girls Inclusion Project which aims to address the barriers specific to women and girls accessing sport.

After two years:

↑ 400%

increase in female participants registered to AFC Wimbledon Foundation activities

↑ 123%

increase in young women and girls playing regular sports/physical activity each week (from 475 to 1,061) with 30% from minority backgrounds



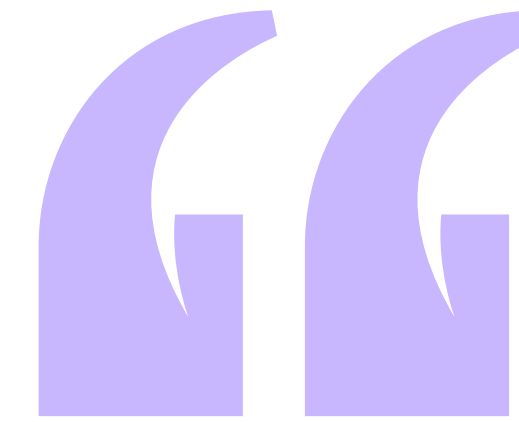
Merton Vision

We awarded £50,000 to Merton Vision to support essential renovation works and increase accessibility to their centre. Improving the facilities will benefit not only Merton Vision's 500 visually impaired clients and staff, but also other local people and charities who use the centre. The enhancements will also enable Merton Vision to support more people through a greater range of activities.



Our Roehampton

A grant of £50,000 is supporting the development of a community garden in the heart of the Alton Estate in Roehampton, which is home to 13,000 people. Opening in 2026, the new garden will be a space where residents can grow food, enjoy time in nature, foster biodiversity, and build stronger social ties.



The garden will be more than just a green space. We're bringing back the spirit of community, sustainability, and beauty that inspired the original design of the Alton Estate, and giving residents a chance to shape their environment together."

Noreen Meehan, Director, Our Roehampton

Grants were also awarded to:

Enable Leisure & Culture

towards their women's sport programme delivering affordable, accessible and inclusive physical activity and sport to women and girls from minority communities, the LGBTQIA+ community and those with disabilities or long-term health conditions.

Merton Connected

towards their Step Up project which provides capacity building support to small and micro-organisations in the borough.

Merton School Sport Partnership

to fund a Sports Leaders Inspiration Day at eight schools in the east of the borough.

❖ WIMBLEDON JUNIOR TENNIS INITIATIVE ❖

More than 5,000 children received free tennis coaching from the Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative (WJTI) during the academic year 2024/25.

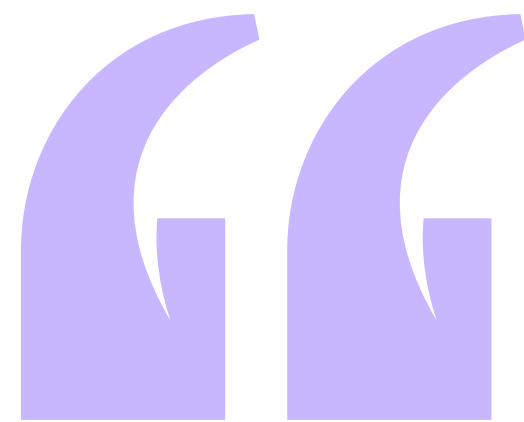
WJTI coaches worked with 33 state primary schools in Merton and Wandsworth with higher pupil premium levels offering free tennis coaching for six-week periods. Kit bags were donated to the schools to enable them to continue playing tennis after the WJTI sessions finished. A further 21 schools received one day taster sessions.

Pupils demonstrating aptitude continue to be invited to join the year-round WJTI programme. Around 350 children attend free weekly training sessions, learning to play tennis and developing the life skills and values sport brings such as teamwork, discipline and fairness.



Ava's story

Ava was just five years old when the WJTI visited her primary school in Mitcham and invited her to attend free weekly tennis coaching at the All England Club. Fourteen years later, Ava is a qualified Level 1 tennis coach and part of the WJTI team which visits state primary schools across Merton and Wandsworth, introducing children to tennis and the benefits sport can bring.



When I joined the WJTI, I was very shy and found it hard to socialise. Playing tennis helped me to come out of my comfort zone, develop my communication skills and feel confident in myself and around others. Seven years ago, I lost my brother, and tennis has really helped me with my mental health and to release any anger that I have. The WJTI helped me to believe that anything is possible, and I want to pass that on to the kids I'm now working with and tell them everything is possible and to never give up."

Ava



50 children took part in the annual WJTI exhibition on the final Sunday of The Championships playing on the grass courts in front of the Clubhouse.



Making a difference

NATIONALLY

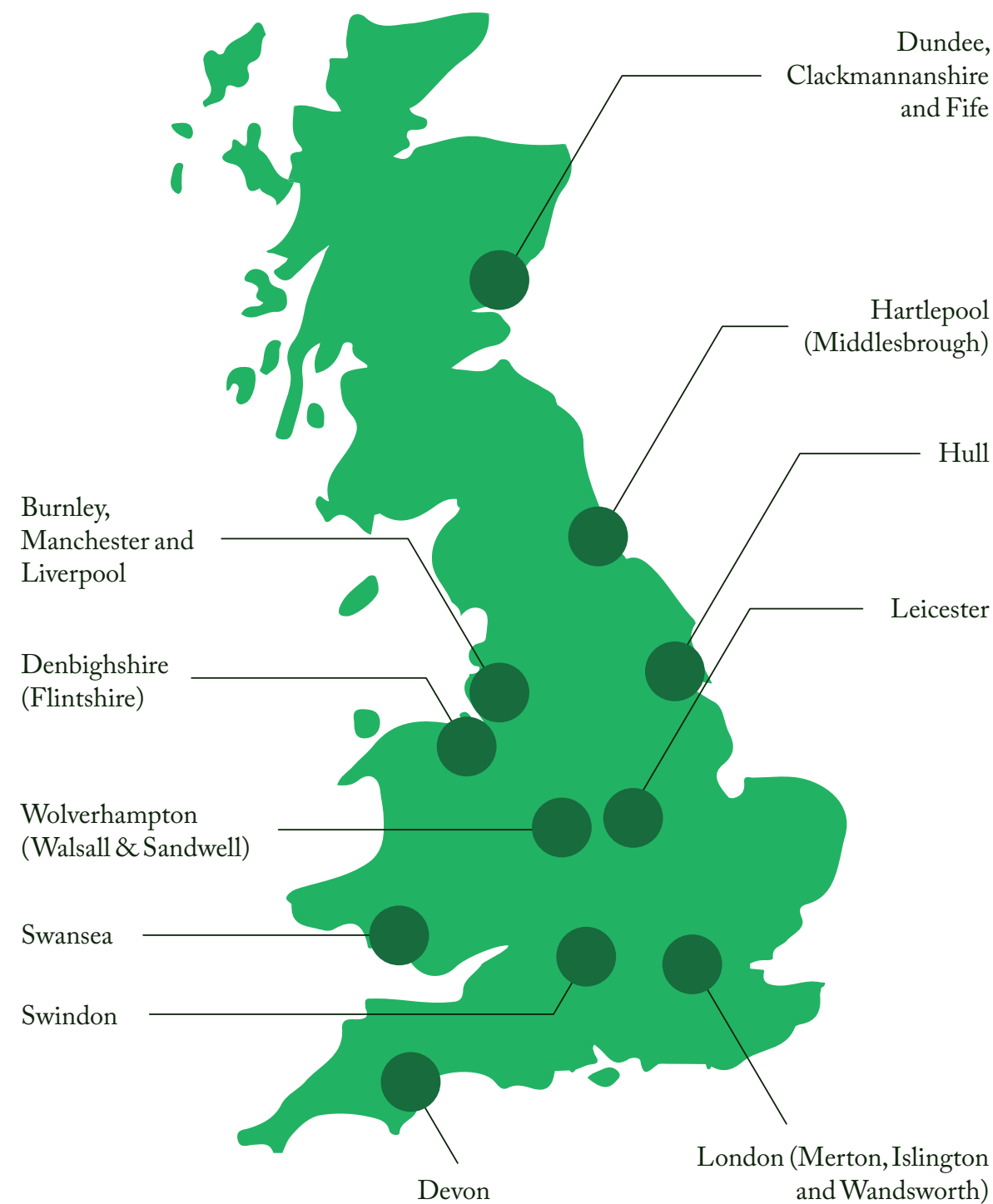


❖ INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION ❖

Set for Success

Nationally, young people at risk of not achieving their full potential are being given the skills and confidence they need to succeed through our Set for Success programme, in partnership with Barclays and delivered by Youth Sport Trust.

Inspirational world-class athletes deliver mentoring sessions and through participation in sport and social action projects young people are helped to develop their skills and identify their future goals. Each young person has the opportunity to achieve an accredited qualification at the end of the two-year programme.



During the academic year 2024/25, Set for Success was:

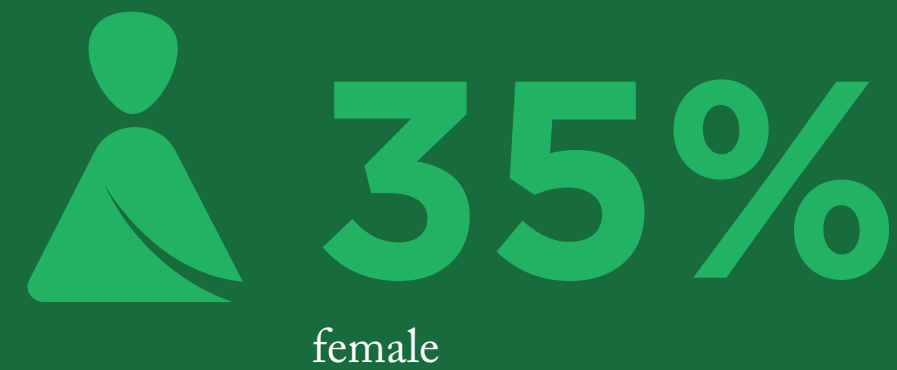
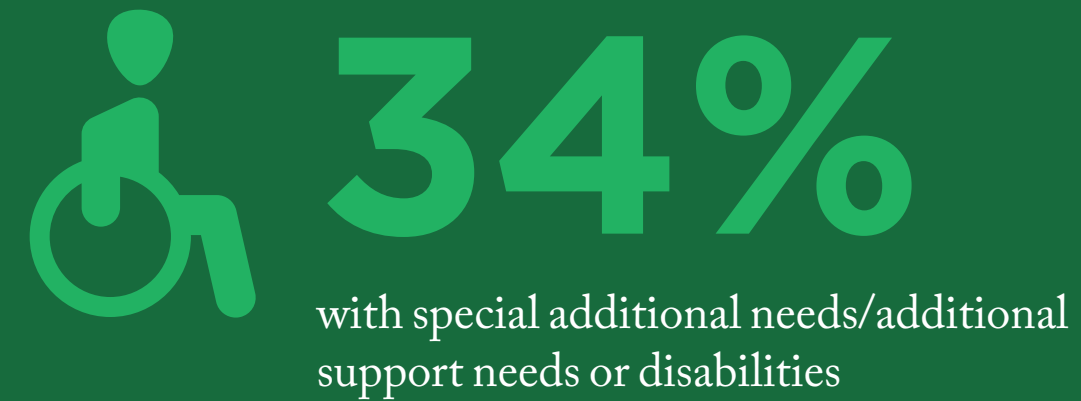


Delivered by





Demographics of young people engaged in Year 1 and Year 2 of Set for Success:



Over the 23/24 delivery year, an independent report by Sheffield Hallam University was conducted. Findings showed that for every **£1 invested**, Set for Success generates **£5.63 of social value** through improving young people's wellbeing and life chances.

Impact of Set for Success reported by young people during the academic year 2024/25:



know more about how their skills can help them in the future



feel better about their future

Impact of Set for Success reported by teachers during the academic year 2024/25:



of teachers report improvements in two areas: student behaviour and school attendance



of teachers report improved student engagement with school



of teachers say that Set for Success has helped them to feel more competent in supporting young people at risk of not achieving their full potential



Set for Success has made me realise how much I can change."

Young person



Pupils have been sent out of class less frequently and the improvement in their behaviour has been noted by the Head of Year. It has been a great programme to be involved in."

Teacher

Research notes: Demographics of young people is based on data collected from 71 out of 81 schools. Young people outcomes and feedback is based on a follow up survey for Year 1 (n=682) and Year 2 students (n=141). Teacher outcomes and feedback is based on a follow up survey for teachers in Year 1 (n=92) and Year 2 delivery (n=29).

[Read the full evaluation](#)





Ben's Story

Ben was an enthusiastic young person who enjoyed playing rugby but had an immature attitude towards his education. He often focused on trying to please his peers and his friendship group often misbehaved. This led to low level behaviour issues, along with poor punctuality and attendance at school.

Ben joined Set for Success in 2023 when he was 13 and the programme has had a significant impact on him. The skills Ben has learnt such as self-belief, self-management, organisation and communication, have helped him to navigate school life and to make more positive choices. He has also learnt to be more responsible for his own actions and taken himself away from negative influences. Ben's communication with staff across the school has improved and he takes his education more seriously, which includes better attendance at school and no late marks in 2024/25.

A pseudonym has been used for Ben's story.



Inspiration and Empowerment Days

Two Inspiration Day events were held at Wimbledon in 2024/25, with 116 young people from schools across England, Scotland and Wales getting to experience the magic of Wimbledon through mini tennis, tours of the Grounds and Museum, and to hear about a range of careers from colleagues across Wimbledon and Barclays.

Youth Sport Trust delivered 12 Empowerment Events attended by more than 500 young people at inspiring local venues like the Etihad Stadium, to introduce young people to local employers who shared their work journeys and talked about career opportunities available in their industries.

Set for Success at The Championships

At the Wimbledon Foundation Kiosk, guests were invited to write a word or phrase that had helped them in their own life on a tennis ball and place it into our giant tennis ball of inspiration. 7,000 guests wrote a message on a ball including former Wimbledon champion Billie Jean King.

After The Championships, the inspirational tennis balls were given out to young people taking part in the Set for Success programme across the UK.



Looking ahead

Thanks to Barclays' support, over the next academic year, the programme will be focusing on:

40

Engaging with 40 new schools in eight new areas including Newcastle, Oldham, Stoke, Erdington, Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, Tower Hamlets, North Lanarkshire and Caerphilly

900

Delivering more than 900 athlete mentor sessions

15

Hosting 15 Empowerment Events around the UK





Making a difference

INTERNATIONALLY



❖ BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES ❖

Working with WaterAid

Since 2017, the Wimbledon Foundation and WaterAid have been working in partnership to bring clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene to thousands of people, and to raise the profile of the global water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) crisis. We have supported communities in eight countries and helped fund water, sanitation and hygiene in healthcare facilities serving more than 916,000 people.

The current phase of our partnership focuses on Malawi, Mozambique and Pakistan, where to date:

 **24,000**

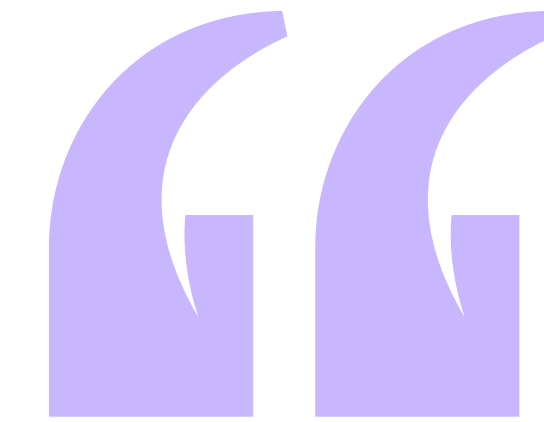
people have been reached with clean water through the construction of water supply systems in two healthcare facilities and three villages in Malawi.

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water supply systems and handwashing stations have been constructed or rehabilitated in healthcare centres in Mozambique and 20 hygiene behaviour change champions have been trained.

 **21,000**

people have been reached with clean water through handpumps and water filtration plants in communities in Pakistan. In addition, community members have constructed more than 12,000 toilets of their own at home.



Building toilets wasn't easy. At first, we feared using them. We are now not just building toilets; we are building a future where our children can grow up healthy and dignified. Our lives would have been so different if these facilities had been available earlier. Now, we dream of a brighter, healthier future."

Shireen Akhtar (pictured left),
Community Resource Person, Badin District, Sindh, Pakistan



❖ RESPONDING IN TIMES OF NEED ❖

Working with the British Red Cross

We're proud to be a member of the British Red Cross Disaster Relief Alliance (DRA), an active community of businesses that invest in the future of humanitarian action by enabling the British Red Cross to help communities prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters.

As a member of the DRA, our annual donation of £150,000 helps to provide rapid relief to those affected by emergencies, both internationally and in the UK, via the British Red Cross' Disaster Fund.

In 2024/25, the Disaster Fund provided support to those affected by the earthquake in Myanmar, the conflict in Sudan, and by storms and flooding in the UK, Bangladesh and Nepal. Previous funding continues to power responses for ongoing crises in Gaza and Ukraine.



Valentyna's Story

Valentyna is an elderly widow who lives alone in Ukraine. A stroke left her with limited mobility and requiring extra support around the house. The Ukrainian Red Cross home-based care service has been a lifeline for Valentyna. She relies on the support of social workers like Natalia, who regularly visit Valentyna to provide home-based care. She cooks, cleans, and keeps her company during her weekly visits.

The British Red Cross has helped to fund the expansion of home-based care for vulnerable people across Ukraine, including those who had to flee their homes due to ongoing hostilities. Valentyna expressed gratitude for the support from the Red Cross, which allows her to continue living independently in her home.



Iryna, social helper of the Red Cross Home Care project, visits beneficiary Viktoriia, Kyiv region.



To mark five years of our partnership, British Red Cross staff and volunteers spelt out a powerful message of unity on No.1 Court ahead of The Championships reflecting our shared belief that in times of crisis, everyone deserves help, no matter who or where they are.





The

CHAMPIONSHIPS





* WORK AT WIMBLEDON *

Working in partnership with the AELTC HR team and our charity partners, we help local people facing barriers to employment to access jobs at The Championships.

Information sessions are held in community venues across Merton and Wandsworth as well as open days at Wimbledon to encourage people who have never been before to feel welcomed. Each applicant is guaranteed an interview, and unsuccessful applicants receive personalised feedback to provide them with valuable experience and to help them with future applications.



143

people worked across 10 teams including adults with learning disabilities supported by Share Community and people with visual impairments supported by Merton Vision

↑138%

more people than in 2024

43%

of people said this was their first paid job

93%

of people reported an increase in skills and confidence to help with employment in the future



I now feel able to look for further employment as I got over my fear of interacting with people by working at The Championships.”

Work at Wimbledon employee



You have been our biggest employer, giving people that others see as unemployable an opportunity to show others, and themselves, they are able to work.”

George Turner, Carney's Community

❖ CELEBRATING ACCESSIBILITY IN SPORT ❖

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of historic victories at Wimbledon by Billie Jean King and Arthur Ashe, both pioneers of social change, as well as 20 years of wheelchair tennis, the Foundation nominated four charities dedicated to breaking down barriers for young people in sport for the pre-match coin toss at the Singles and Wheelchair Singles Finals.



When I saw Ambrose walking out onto Centre Court, I had the biggest smile on my face. Just to look over to him and his family, after everything they've been through, it was a celebration and proud moment for us all."

Billy Oram, Director of Youth Football, The Junction Elite Project



Sophie Kneen, 12, performed the coin toss at the Ladies' Singles Final representing AFC Wimbledon Foundation's Women and Girls Inclusion Project which is being funded by the Foundation over three years and aims to increase female participation levels and help more women and girls into coaching and leadership roles in sport.



Ambrose Caldecott, 11, performed the coin toss at the Gentlemen's Singles Final representing The Junction Elite Project, a Wandsworth-based charity dedicated to providing free developmental sporting experiences to young people. Ambrose was a regular attendee until being diagnosed with bone cancer in 2024.



Lydia Lowe, 8, performed the coin toss at the Ladies' Wheelchair Singles Final representing the Dan Maskell Tennis Trust which has supported Lydia to play visually impaired tennis after she suffered a brain injury in 2024.



Temi Johnson, 28, performed the coin toss at the Gentlemen's Wheelchair Singles Final representing Disability Sports Coach, a charity which helps children and adults living with disabilities to take part in sport, including in the London Boroughs of Merton and Wandsworth. Sports fan Temi, who has cerebral palsy, began volunteering with Disability Sports Coach after leaving college. Through taking part in the charity's Inclusive Activity Leaders programme, Temi is now employed as a qualified coach running sports activities for disabled children and adults at Disability Sport Coach's Club Wandsworth.



❖ THE CHAMPIONSHIPS ❖

600

guests from 89 supported charities and community organisations were welcomed to enjoy a day of tennis

1,000

refugee guests, including people displaced from Ukraine, were invited by the AELTC

Representatives from homelessness charities Ace of Clubs, Faith in Action Merton, Glass Door and Spires were invited to the Royal Box by the All England Club Chair, Debbie Jevans



25 young people enjoyed a very exciting day out and all have been encouraged to apply for jobs at The Championships next year. This is probably best summed up in the words of one young lady, Hazel, who said: “I never imagined I’d ever set foot at Wimbledon. It’s like stepping into a different world. Next year I’d love to work here, be part of the energy, and show others like me that dreams really can start with just one opportunity”.”

Motivate Merton





Thank you to:

Keith Prowse for contributing

£108k

via the sale of hospitality packages

Guests who donated their £1 reusable cup deposit to the Foundation helping to raise

£114k

Guests purchasing a used Championships ball which generated

£41k



Our staff and services users at our Merton refuge were delighted to attend and had an absolutely wonderful time. What a treat! Thank you again for your continued support of our work with survivors of domestic abuse.”

Hestia Housing and Support

Ticket Resale

The Ticket Resale scheme, proudly supported by Barclays, generated

£195k

Donations were made to local and national causes including military and emergency services benevolent funds and tennis charities.

The Honorary Stewards, who welcome and look after spectators at The Championships, are also invited to nominate two beneficiary charities and chose Marie Curie and REACT Disaster Response.



HRH The Princess of Wales, Patron of the All England Club, meets two Work at Wimbledon employees.



FINANCE, TRUSTEES & TEAM

Finance

The Wimbledon Foundation is a charitable company limited by guarantee and its sole member is The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club Limited ('the Club'). Incoming resources principally comprise of donations from the Club and, on behalf of The Championships, The All England Lawn Tennis Club (Championships) Limited ('AELTC'). AELTC provides administrative, staffing and operational support to the Wimbledon Foundation without charge.

Support of the Wimbledon Foundation by the Club and AELTC is separate from and additional to the distribution of the large majority of the financial surplus from The Championships to the Lawn Tennis Association generally for the development of tennis at all levels in the UK.

The tables on the following page are not the statutory accounts but a summary of information extracted from the Foundation's Annual Report and Financial Statements 2025. The full statutory accounts were approved by the Wimbledon Foundation board of trustees on 1 October 2025 and Deloitte LLP issued an unqualified audit opinion thereon which did not contain an emphasis of matter or any statement under s496(2) or (3) of the Companies Act 2006. The full statutory accounts have been filed with the Charity Commission and a copy can be obtained from the Wimbledon Foundation, AELTC, Church Road, London SW19 5AE.

Trustees

The Hon. Bruce Weatherill FCA (Chairman)

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Kevin Havelock

Ian Hewitt MBE (until March 2025)

Deborah Jevans CBE

Anne Keothavong MBE

Ruth Shaw OBE (Independent, appointed May 2025)

Sir Nicholas Young (Independent)

Foundation Team

- Martin Guntrip, Club Director
- Amanda Horton-Mastin, Head of Foundation (maternity cover until September 2025)
- Paige Murphy, Head of Foundation
- Selina Beltran, Grants & Community Officer
- Alice Moon, Grants & Community Officer
- Lauren Palmer, Grants & Community Manager
- Rachel Swithinbank, Communications & Events Manager
- Sarah-Jane Williams, Admin & Communications Coordinator

The Foundation team would like to thank their colleagues across the AELTC for their ongoing support and input.

The Wimbledon Foundation Statement of Financial Activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account)

	Year ended 31 July 2025	Year ended 31 July 2024
	£000	£000
Income		
Donations received	4,559	4,267
Total income	4,559	4,267
Expenditure		
Charitable activities	(4,762)	(4,539)
Net expenditure before investment gains	(203)	(272)
Finance income	37	38
Net investment gains	74	62
Net expenditure for the year	(92)	(172)
Reconciliation of funds		
Funds brought forward	1,587	1,759
Total funds	1,495	1,587

	As at 31 July 2025	As at 31 July 2024
	£000	£000
Balance Sheet		
Fixed assets		
Investments	959	885
Current assets		
Debtors	236	229
Cash at bank and in hand	363	540
	599	769
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(63)	(67)
Net current assets	536	702
Net assets	1,495	1,587
Funds of the Foundation		
Restricted fund	-	-
Unrestricted fund	1,495	1,587
Total funds	1,495	1,587

LOOKING AHEAD

As ever, we remain committed to supporting our local community of Merton and Wandsworth. At the start of 2025, we carried out a **strategic review** to understand the pressing needs of our local community and if there were ways in which we might adapt our grant funding to better meet these needs. The review identified some key areas of change which are being phased into the Foundation's grant-making during 2026 with a move towards making more multi-year grants available as well as the introduction of a new sports-based fund. Our Get Set, Go Further Fund will offer three-year grants towards project and core costs of organisations improving the level of engagement with sports and physical activity of people living in Merton and Wandsworth.

We are also keen to ensure more people supported by our local charity partners have the opportunity to gain valuable work experience through employment at The Championships 2026. The team has identified two new charity partners taking the number to 18, increased the number of community information sessions held, and have enabled candidates to access free interview coaching and clothing through partnerships with Smart Works and Suited & Booted.

Nationally, with Barclays' support, we continue to expand our Set for Success programme which is now running in 115 secondary schools across the UK helping to empower young people with the confidence and skills to achieve their goals.

Internationally, we continue our support of WaterAid, whose vital work helps to build healthy, resilient communities, and the British Red Cross, which ensures help is there when emergencies happen and enables those affected to rebuild their lives.





The Wimbledon Foundation supported the following organisations in the financial year 2024/25:

Army Benevolent Fund	English for Action	Mayor of Wandsworth's Charities	Sound Vision CIO
Ace of Clubs	Ethnic Minority Centre	MertonPlus	South London Tamil Welfare Group
AFC Wimbledon Foundation	Faith in Action Merton Homelessness Project	Merton Centre for Independent Living	South Mitcham Community Association
All Star Youth Tennis Scholarship Trust	Falcon Estate Residents Association	Merton Community Transport	South West London Law Centres
Attic Theatre Company	FAST London	Merton Connected	SouthWestRuns
Avanti Mental Well-Being CIC	Fields in Trust	Merton Empowerment CIC	Spectacle Media CIC
Balham Autumn Rose Club	Fire Fighters Charity	Merton Goan Senior Citizens Association	Spires
Baseless Fabric Theatre	Five ASide Theatre CIC	Merton Hockey Club	Sport4Health
Be Enriched	Flow Community Drumming CIC	Merton Mencap	St George's Hospital Charity
Be Kind Movement	For Brian CIC	Merton Music Foundation	Sustainable Merton
Begin2Sports Group Academy CIC	Free2B Alliance	Merton Schools Football Association	SW15 Music
BJMF Sports	Friends of Figge's Marsh	Merton Schools Sports Partnership	Tennis First
BlindAid	FROG Learning CIC	Merton Somali Community	The Dan Maskell Tennis Trust
Bounce Theatre CIC	Glass Door Homeless Charity	Merton Giving	The Dot Collective
British Red Cross	Give It Your Max	Merton Vision	The Furzedown Project
Caius House	GoodGym	Metropolitan & City Police Orphans Fund	The Hope for Wellbeing Project
CARAS (Community Action for Refugees and Asylum Seekers)	Growing Against Violence	MindworksUK	The Jack Lonergan Foundation
Carers First	Hestia Housing and Support	Mitcham Town Community Trust	The Junction Elite Project
Carney's Community	Home-Start Wandsworth	Noviha UK	The Paradise Cooperative
Chantelle's Community Kitchen	Humanity Concern Projects	Off the Record Youth Counselling	22nd Wimbledon Scout Group
City Harvest London	IC Philanthropy Foundation	Our Pain 2 Power	Uptown Youth Services
Combination Dance	Inner South West London Samaritans	Polish Family Association	Unique Talent CIC
Community Cricket CIC	Inner Strength Network CIC	Power 2 Connect	Urban Studio Sessions
Community Drug and Alcohol Recovery Services (CDARS)	Kazzum Arts Project	Providence House	Voices of Hope
Connected Lives	Kevin Kararwa Leukaemia Trust	Putney Arts Theatre	Wandsworth Carers' Centre
Crisis	Kibo Productions	Rah Rah Community Theatre Company	Wandsworth Community Empowerment Network (WCEN)
Critical Support	Kunsaka	Rathbone Amateur Boxing Club	Waste Not Want Not Battersea
Crosslight Advice	Learn to Love to Read	REACT Disaster Response	WaterAid
deafPLUS	Liberty Choir UK	Regenerate	Westside FC
Devas Club	LGBT HERO	Revive Wandle Roots CIC	Wimbledon & District Woodcraft Folk
Disability Sports Coach	Little Giants Volleyball Club	Roehampton Trust	UFFO Athletic and Leisure Group Ltd
Dons Local Action Group	Living Communities CIC	Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund	Youth Battersea CIC
Doverhouse Lions FC	LW Flyerz	Royal Navy and Royal Marines Charity	Youth Sport Trust
Enable Leisure and Culture	Made in Merton	Share Community	
	Marie Curie	SMSC in the Community	
	Mayor of Merton's Charities	Sound Minds	



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