



Cornish tennis club secures £50,000 from sporting legacy fund

A tennis club in Cornwall has secured Olympic legacy funding from Sport England's *Inspired Facilities* fund.

Sport England today revealed that more than 1,000 local sports projects across the country have now received National Lottery funding through *Inspired Facilities*, which is part of the £150 million *Places People Play* legacy programme. Every sports facility that receives funding will carry the London 2012 Inspire mark – celebrating the link to the Games.

St. Agnes Tennis Club will receive £50,000 of National Lottery funding to help rebuild its existing clubhouse. The new clubhouse will have disabled access and be fitted with new changing rooms, toilets and heating system. With the additional storage space, new kitchen and extended social area that the rebuild will also provide, the club aims to offer more sporting opportunities to the local community.

Sport England's Chair, Richard Lewis, said: "This National Lottery investment is helping us deliver a lasting sporting legacy in Cornwall from last year's successful Olympic and Paralympic Games.

"With so many clubs in the South West having benefitted from this fund already and building on the success of last summer, this is the legacy people want for their local community."

Club Chairman, Bernard Hoskins, said: "This investment is fantastic news for the club. The Olympic legacy funding will certainly positively influence our sports for years to come."

Local MP, Sarah Newton, said: "Thank you to the hardworking team at St. Agnes Tennis Club for developing this successful bid for funding improved facilities. I am sure it will enable many more people in and around St. Agnes to enjoy playing tennis. I am pleased to see so many local sports clubs benefitting from Olympic legacy funding and encourage any club that needs to improve facilities to enable more people to participate in their sport to find out more."

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St. Agnes Tennis Club is one of 310 projects across England receiving lottery investment from the third round of the Inspired Facilities fund and one of over 1,000 to benefit overall, with the milestone being achieved one year ahead of schedule.

Many more communities can still benefit from the fund, with a further two rounds remaining. Bids will be accepted for the fourth round of Inspired Facilities Funding from the 4 March 2013. You can find out more at www.sportengland.org/inspiredfacilities.