



2024 NETWORK SURVEY

Our Response Plan

Thank you to all organisations that responded to our 2024 Network Survey. Your feedback is extremely helpful in helping us to better understand & respond to your priorities and needs. Within the survey you shared feedback about the challenges you face and the support you value most from StreetGames. Full information from the 2024 Network Survey can be [downloaded here](#).

See below how we have and are continuing to look to respond to this feedback



ADVOCACY



Network Survey feedback highlights key issues and priorities amongst LTOs.

89%

said *Supporting young people from low-income communities to be (more) physically active* was a high priority for them.

87%

said *Improving the mental health and well-being of young people* was a high priority for them.

75%

said *Addressing the holiday gap for young people (e.g. sport, activities & food during school holidays)* was a high priority for them.

StreetGames will/has:

Used the network survey feedback to amplify the voices of LTOs and advocate on their behalf on the key issues raised, challenges & priorities.

This has included using feedback from the network survey in responses to Government consultations about grassroots sports, health, community cohesion & local neighbourhoods and also in discussions with key stakeholders and funders.

FUNDING



Network survey data highlights that having enough funding to deliver activities remains a key challenge for LTOs and that nearly a quarter are concerned about their ability to sustain activities over the med-long term.

73%

of LTOs say *having enough funding to support offers & activities* is their main challenge.

25%

of LTOs reported their financial position as either severe or critical.

StreetGames will/has:

Maintained the work of the 3 Network Fundraising Officers to support LTOs with fundraising & signposting to funding sources.

Introduced two strategic objectives this year to increase and expand our existing funding income streams and explore options for increasing unrestricted income. The output being more unrestricted income that we can use flexibly to support the network.

Over the past year StreetGames has distributed funding to over 450 LTOs to support weekly & school holiday doorstep sport activities totalling £8.15m.

WORKFORCE & VOLUNTEER SUPPORT



Recruiting staff with the 'right' skills & up-skilling is a key challenge.

Developing young volunteers is important to LTOs but many lack funding to do it.

64%

said *Youth empowerment (e.g. youth voice, social action, volunteering & leadership)* was a high priority.

53%

said *supporting young people from low-income communities into employment / further training* was a high priority.

StreetGames will/has:

Continued to offer training courses & support workforce development.

Update resources on our website for LTOs which support volunteer development.

Increase our Core Offer sessions targeted at young volunteers.

Identify opportunities for young people to volunteer at major sporting events, through our Inspiration Campaign.

Over the past year over 3,200 learners have attended StreetGames training workshops – with 95% stating that they have 'learnt something new'.

Over 800 young volunteers have taken part in youth empowerment opportunities organised by StreetGames, such as Influencing Sport England through the Design Jam, co-designing and delivering our residential and opportunities to co-present at events.

CONNECT, LEARN & SHARE IDEAS



Opportunities to connect, learn, share ideas and hear new insight are valued by LTOs.

53%

said *opportunities to connect, learn and share ideas* would be very useful.

49%

said *opportunities to hear new insight, ideas & approaches* would be very useful.

StreetGames will/has:

Continued to provide opportunities for LTOs to attend network meetings, events and themed community of learning webinars. Click here to see what's coming up.

Provide support to the Network through the What's On calendar, tools & resources and assist in those areas that were identified as high priorities. To date, over 700 individuals have joined our core offer webinars.

New insight and learning will be disseminated using a range of channels and mediums (e.g. workshops, webinars, training, on-line resources, network meetings and on the Research and Insight section of our website).

Through our place teams, ensure that there are opportunities for LTOs to connect, through Network Meetings to hear and share learning.

To date, circa 50 network/ cluster meetings have taken place that were facilitated by StreetGames

EVIDENCING IMPACT



Demonstrating impact is a challenge for over one-third of LTOs & support in this area is requested.

38%

said *Evidencing Impact* was an organisational challenge.

StreetGames will/has:

Continued to update & promote resources within the [StreetGames M&E kit-bag](#).

Provided Evidencing Impact & Using Data webinars within the Core Offer Calendar.

Included provision for external evaluation resources within StreetGames funding bids to increase the evidence base re the value of doorstep sport.

SAFEGUARDING



LTOs were asked to provide the job role of the person who is responsible for safeguarding. Whilst some LTOs had dedicated safeguarding teams, the majority (86%) of LTOs have no funding dedicated to this role.

44%

said *Access to basic level training for new staff & volunteers* would be useful.

StreetGames will/has:

Delivered safeguarding webinars and training, including Keeping Young People Safe in Community Sport and sessions through the Sport4Good Network.

Shared regular safeguarding content via Word on the Street.

Contributed to new sector resources, including the upcoming Safeguarding Young Volunteers guide (NYA).

Planned targeted support for LTOs during key campaigns such as Keeping Young People Safe in Sport Week and Safeguarding Adults Week.

Integrated safeguarding into all programme onboarding, with CPD, good practice signposting, and support for LTOs to plan for and demonstrate safeguarding impact — including youth voice tools.

VARIED SPORTING OFFER



Network survey data highlights that having enough funding to deliver activities remains a key challenge for LTOs and that nearly a quarter are concerned about their ability to sustain activities over the med-long term.

81%

said *they would deliver new and/or different sports* if they had additional resource.

69%

said *they would deliver more sports / connect with NGBs* if they had additional resource.

StreetGames will/has:

Increase awareness of support and offers available to LTOs from NGBs via core offer sessions and better WoTS content.

Increase number of partnerships with NGBs that deliver tangible participation opportunities for LTOs.

Identify opportunities for LTOs and young people to connect to sports, through StreetGames' Inspiration Campaign (Spectate; Participate; Volunteer).

Over the past year we have developed partnerships with 25 mainstream sports organisations and distributed over 5,500 tickets to LTOs so that young people can spectate at live sporting events.

WOMEN & GIRLS



Supporting Women & Girls to be active is a high priority for the network.

64%

said *supporting women and girls to be (more) physically active* was a high priority for them

StreetGames will/has:

Support the network with tools, resources & expertise to engage more women & girls in sport.

Proactively seek funding opportunities that are specific to women & girls participation opportunities. For example, [click here](#).

Consider how the Inspiration Campaign, TeamGB & UK Sport partnerships can be used to inspire more girls to be active.

Create a plan for how we influence, advocate and work with stakeholders (non LTOs) in the W&G space.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY



The key challenges that prevent you from focusing more on environmental sustainability include: Lack of funding, Lack of time and capacity and Lack of knowledge

51%

have a moderate focus on Environmental Sustainability (between 5-7/10)

StreetGames will/has:

Piloted including Environmental Sustainability questions in some of our funding applications to both understand existing practice, but also to support organisations to consider environmental sustainability in their work as it is now commonplace to evidence with other funders.

Create an easy-access resource with good practice ideas to build up your knowledge and confidence.

Share insight and useful bitesize information through WOTS.

Seek to embed learning and content within our Fundraising Sustainability workshops.

if you'd like any further information on any of the above please contact: info@streetgames.org

