

## **Summary of BKF Aspiration Funding Allocation**

In relation to the recent questions regarding the use of BKF Aspiration Funding please find below a clear summary of how this investment was allocated and the impact it delivered

As outlined in the Uk Sport submissions the Aspiration Funding was directed exclusively towards supporting the athlete programme during the Tokyo Olympic Cycle. The investment was utilised in the following ways:

### **Athlete and Programme Support**

The funding contributed to the performance programme underpinning the Tokyo Olympic journey ensuring that athletes and staff had the necessary structure and resources in place.

#### **Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018**

Supported two athletes and their coach in both the qualification process and in preparing for and attending the Youth Olympic Games in Argentina providing valuable international experience and development opportunities.

#### **Direct Athlete Grants**

Monthly financial assistance was provided directly to selected athletes to contribute toward personal training costs, reducing financial barriers to accessing the required training and preparation for international competition.

#### **European Games 2019 Minsk**

The fund enabled the participation of two athletes at the European Games representing a significant step in their progression through elite competition.

#### **Olympic Qualifying Tournament Paris**

The funding covered the participation of eight selected athletes in the Olympic Qualification Tournament including associated preparation camps, ensuring they had the best possible environment.

### **Governance and Compliance**

The programme also ensured full compliance with UKAD governance requirements for all athletes representing Great Britain, a vital element in maintaining credibility and integrity at international level.

Please note, it is important to emphasise that the Aspiration Funding was applied exactly as intended, directly supporting athlete preparation competition and programme integrity in line with UK Sport objectives.

For clarity, this investment was entirely separate from the Uk Sport Medal Support Programme which was in place for one individual athlete and managed through another National Governing Body. That programme operated under a separate governance structure with BKF representation on the Performance Management Group provided by a paid member of the BKF Board.

We trust this provides full clarity and reassurance that the Aspiration Funding was deployed appropriately transparently and for the purpose for which it was awarded.