Manchester – Thursday 28 April 2016

Venue	1894 Suite Etihad Stadium – Manchester City, Ashton New Road, Manchester M11 3FF
Timings	Registration from 12.30pm. Start 1pm, finish 5pm.
Organisers	Kate Mundle – 07826 373523 and Amber Hall – 07826 404537

Programme

12.30pm	Arrive at Etihad Stadium – Manchester City for registration, networking and light refreshments (tea, coffee, water and biscuits). Enter into the main reception where you will be directed to the 1894 Suite.
1.00pm	Tutor's opening remarks and athlete introductions ➢ Introduction to the workshop
1.15pm	Let's challenge perceptions
2.00pm	The facts - Understanding the participant ➢ Hear the athletes' stories
2.50pm	Comfort break
3.00pm	Models of inclusion
3.20pm	Communication – Good practice and practical tips
4.00pm	Highlights of key legislation
4.10pm	The road to sporting success ➢ Overview of pathways and competitions
4.20pm	Introducing 'Change 1 Thing'
4.30pm	Networking and photographs

Accessibility

Etihad Stadium – Manchester City is a fully accessible venue, but if you do have any specific access requirements, please let us know as soon as possible so we can make every effort to accommodate. Complimentary parking is available on site.

Overview

Thanks to funding from Spirit of 2012, a trust set up to sustain the spirit and opportunities from London 2012, delegates will hear from British sports stars with learning disability, all of whom have achieved success on the international stage.

Our inspirational Athlete Ambassadors are co-delivering these interactive workshops, sharing the secrets of their success and their views and experiences on how best we can all communicate more effectively and confidently with people with learning disability.

Tutors and Athlete Ambassadors

Ian Mirfin, Engage! Tutor
Ian has been involved as both a professional and volunteer in provision of services, including sport, to disabled people for over 35 years. Since late 2013, Ian has worked part time with Scottish Athletics as Lead for Paralympic Athletes within the Performance Team. Ian was part of the GB coaching team at the recent IPC Athletics World Championships held in Doha.

Peter Millar – My Sport, My Voice! Ambassador and Engage! Co-Deliverer
Peter is a Great British tennis player who has won multiple medals at Inas competitions, including most recently at the 2015 Inas Global Games in Ecuador. Peter has been part of the Tennis Foundation's GB Performance Squad since 2011. During that time, he won gold in men's doubles at the 2013 Inas World Tennis Games in Czech Republic before going on to win a bronze medal in the same discipline at the 2015 Global Games.

Chris Edwards – My Sport, My Voice! Ambassador and Engage! Co-Deliverer
Chris is the captain and opening batsman for the England and Wales Learning Disability cricket team and also a fulltime coach for Cheshire Cricket Board. The highlight of his career so far has been captaining England and Wales to a 5-1 demolition of Australia in the 2015 Inas International Cricket Series in Melbourne. He was named player of the series.

Workshop Material

Delegates will be provided with an informative toolkit, with some practical tips and guidance as well as where to go for further information and support.

Here's what people have said about our previous events:

"Very inspiring – must share with a wider audience."

"Inspirational individuals. Congratulations on your great achievements."

"A great insight into the learning disability sport world."

"There was a great mix of presentation styles and a fantastic display of achievements."

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