

# Sport volunteering update

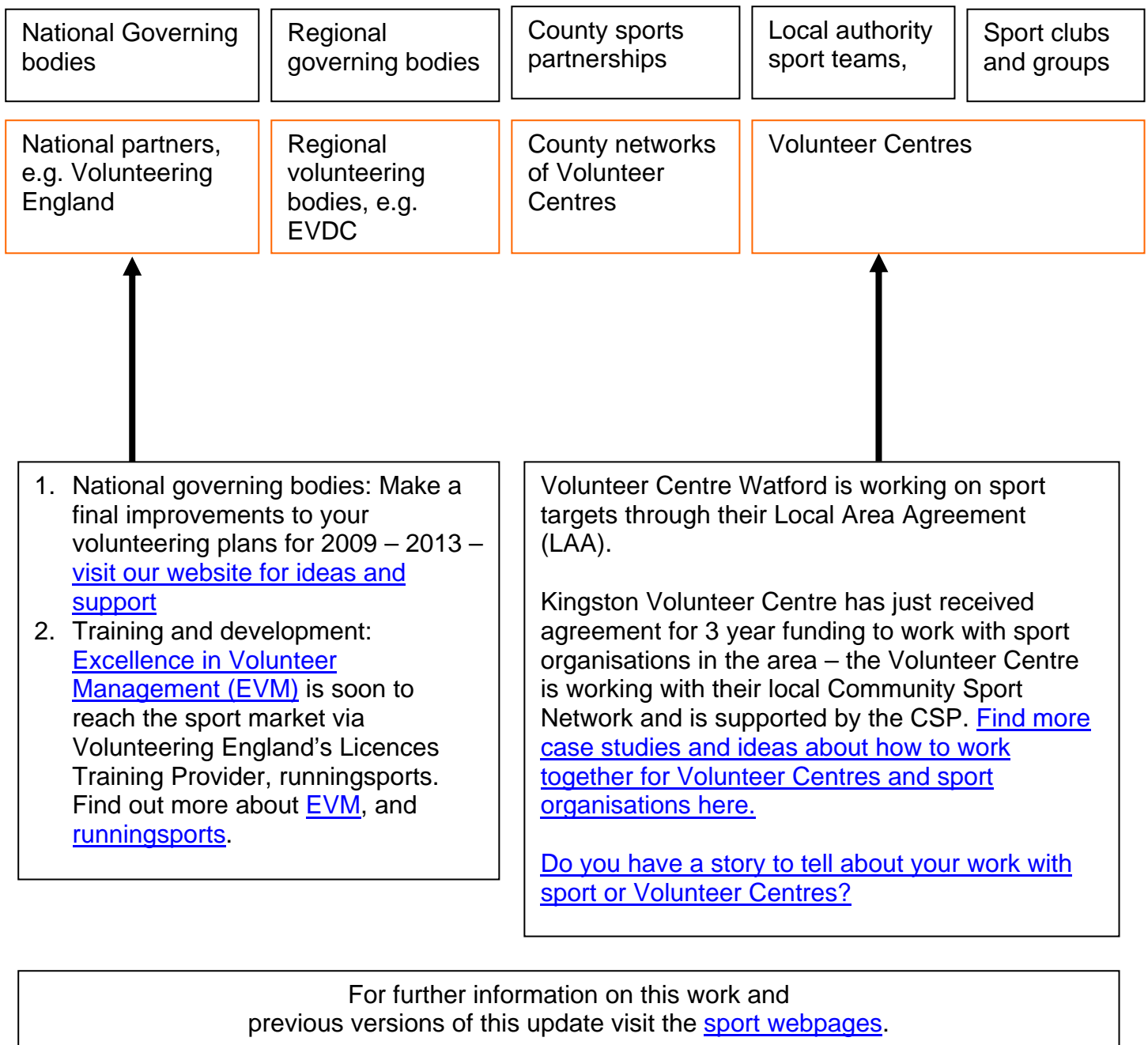
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## What's happening out there between sport and Volunteering England/ Volunteer Centres

This snapshot gives only a few examples of how hundreds of organisations are starting to work together.



## News items for both sport and volunteering

**Find funding to work together:** The Legacy Trust has funding for each region. You have to be involved in discussions to get near the funding. Find out how here.

**LAAs on sport and volunteering:** There are 24 LAA areas with both sport and volunteering as priorities. [Find out if your area is one of them](#) and what you can do to improve your sport volunteering

**Sport England lottery funding:** [read](#) how Volunteering England responded to the Sport England Lottery consultation.

**Complete a volunteering survey and win book vouchers:** The Institute for Volunteering Research (IVR) is undertaking a piece of research looking at the impact of contracting and service level agreements on volunteers. At a time when the voluntary sector is getting increasingly involved in the delivery of public and social services, we recognise the need to understand the effects on volunteers more comprehensively. We would like to get your views on this issue and would be grateful if you could complete this short survey for us by 17 September 2008. By completing [the survey](#) you will be eligible to win one of two £25 book vouchers. The results from the survey will be available publicly on the IVR website - [www.ivr.org.uk](http://www.ivr.org.uk) on 10 October 2008. If you have any questions please contact [joanna.stuart@volunteeringengland.org](mailto:joanna.stuart@volunteeringengland.org)

**Management of volunteers NOS:** The Workforce Hub has published the revised National Occupational Standards for management of volunteers. [www.ukworkforcehub.org.uk/DisplayPage.asp?pageid=12457](http://www.ukworkforcehub.org.uk/DisplayPage.asp?pageid=12457)

**Nominate a BBC unsung hero:** Nominations for the 2008 BBC *Sports Unsung Hero* Award can be made at [www.bbc.co.uk/sportsunsunghero](http://www.bbc.co.uk/sportsunsunghero) The closing date is Friday 31st October. 15 regional winners will be chosen from around the BBC's Nations and Regions in November. The overall 2008 winner will be announced on the BBC *Sports Personality of the Year* show live on BBC ONE on Sunday December 14 from the Echo Arena in Liverpool. Bursaries of up to £2,500 are also available to each regional winner, to help them and their club in their work with sport in the community

## News for Volunteer Centres

**A question of sport...** Do you have questions about sport? We're writing a Q&A specifically for Volunteer Centres about working strategically with sport and want to make sure we cover all bases. Now that the 2008 Olympic and Paralympic games have finished are you gearing up for the 2012 games? Do you know who to talk to, where to find funding and how to work both strategically and operationally? [Ask us the questions you'd like to have answered about how to work with sport](#), and we'll include them in our new "Question of sport – Q&A about working with sport"... coming soon!

**Are you shouting loud about your Volunteer Centre's work with sport?** Please tell us your current or planned work with sport:

We'd like to know because it will help us to

- get information to you about funding opportunities for your work

- share with other Volunteer Centres how to start working with sport ([see the case studies already gathered](#))
- let sport organisations know *just how much* of the network of Volunteer Centres are working with sport
- work with Sport England to factor in Volunteer Centre support to their sport funding from 2009 onwards

Volunteer Centres: please [let us know](#) if you:

1. Currently are funded to work on a sport project, or,
2. Actively are looking for funding for a sport project, or
3. Are about to start a funded sport project, or,
4. Have already completed a funded sport project.

## News for national governing bodies

Those governing bodies submitting plans to Sport England, you have probably met with Volunteering England to discuss volunteer management within your plans.

Web pages to support you in your 2009 – 2013 final planning stages have been created. [Visit them here.](#)

Many of you have asked about two things:

1. [Training for volunteer managers](#)
2. [Volunteer centres working with your clubs](#)

For all other governing bodies, the [following web pages are for you.](#)

## News for county sports partnerships and local authority sport development teams

**A growing number of CSPs and sport development teams are working with Volunteer Centres to improve sport volunteer management.**

- ◆ Are you one of them?
- ◆ Are you sharing your innovative work with others?

There are many CSPs and local authorities who are planning how to improve volunteering over the coming months (especially linked to Sport England's new strategy).

[Find out what Volunteering England are advising NGBs to do to improve volunteer management from 2009 onwards– and what you can do to support them](#)

[Find out about Volunteer Centres can improve sport volunteer management](#)

[Let us know how you are working with Volunteer Centres in your area](#)



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