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Youth Sport Trust letter of support to Parkour UK

To whom it may concern

The Youth Sport Trust has been working to develop Parkour related activities in schools and School Sport Partnerships for a significant period of time with a number of partners including AfPE, British Gymnastics, as well as Parkour UK developing this innovative intervention as a means of providing challenging physical activity to secondary pupils who may not be currently engaged in mainstream provision. The benefits of Parkour related activities are obvious in terms of engagement, inspiration and motivation by pupils for whom more traditional PE and School Sport has less appeal.

The Youth Sport Trust has worked at length to ensure that this innovative sport has a profile within the School Sport Partnership network and that it is used in an effective and safe manner. YoUR Activity which is a resource written by the Youth Sport Trust in partnership with a number of partners is a catalyst for activity at Key Stage 4. Within this pack is a Parkour related card showing the commitment and belief in this activity.

To date Parkour UK have executed some outstanding work in establishing accredited qualifications and providing specialist support and guidance to enhance the quality of Parkour related activity provision in educational settings.

This new and exciting activity has been well received by Schools and the School Sport Partnership network and as a result of this and in seeking to further the opportunities for young people to engage in Parkour related activity, in terms of both the quality of the experience, and access to it, the Youth Sport Trust is happy to support Parkour UK's application for NGB status.

Yours Sincerely

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