

Our Sports Group has a long-established record of advising sports-related organisations, including lottery distributors, sports administrators, national governing bodies, sports clubs, charities and trusts. We work with sports across numerous disciplines, including tennis, shooting, ice skating, taekwondo, karate, fencing, golf and ice hockey as well as a number of disability and Paralympic organisations.

Drawing on specialists from across the firm's service areas, we are able to advise sports clients on issues across corporate, finance, real estate, construction, dispute resolution, private wealth, sports regulatory, data protection, general commercial, sponsorship and intellectual property.

In particular, we are able to assist clients with the following:

- Anti-doping and integrity
- Commercial, sponsorship, franchising and licensing agreements
- Contracts, grants and funding agreements
- Data protection, GDPR and privacy
- Dispute resolution and mediation
- Employment related matters
- Equality and diversity
- E-sports
- Governance and constitutional matters
- Intellectual property rights and enforcement
- Property related matters
- Regulation and disciplinary matters
- Safeguarding and child protection
- Selection and qualification procedures and appeals
- Sports charities and charitable foundations
- Stadiums and sports facilities (including funding, development and construction advice)

We work closely with our clients to provide practical advice and value for money. Since 2012, we have been a panel firm on the Legal Panel Framework (LPF), an initiative established by Sport England, UK Sport, the Sport and Recreation Alliance, Sport Wales and Sport Northern Ireland. The LPF aims to make it easier for national governing bodies and wider sport and recreation organisations, to identify and access high quality legal advice at preferential rates. Within the framework we also provide pro bono legal services for sports organisations.

We would be delighted to be able to assist you or your organisation so do please get in touch with a member of our team (see over the page) or email us at [contactus@hewitsons.com](mailto:contactus@hewitsons.com).



We are also able to provide the following services for sports-related organisations and charities:

- Charity law
- Charity proceedings and charity tribunals
- Debt recovery
- Grant making support
- Health and safety
- Mergers and collaborations
- Pensions
- Planning and environmental
- Risk management and strategic planning
- Social enterprise
- Trustee and board support

For more information on these services, please visit our website at [www.hewitsons.com](http://www.hewitsons.com).

Our Sports Group publishes a quarterly newsletter containing legal updates and information on events for those working in the sport and recreation sector. If you would like to be included in this mailing list please visit our website or contact our marketing team at [contactus@hewitsons.com](mailto:contactus@hewitsons.com). You can view past newsletters in our [legal update](#) section on our website.

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