

CHRIS SMITH

Personal Profile

- An independent thinker with vision able to lead new initiatives, build relationships and deliver success. Sport for development advocate with a passion and desire to see physical activity and sport help make a positive difference to health and life.
 - Successful in the education sector with experience leading a high performing department. Visiting lecturer on Initial Teacher Training Education and Sport Science Coach Education courses at universities and have supported Headteachers to establish new academies.
 - Good knowledge and understanding of the sporting landscape, new national sports strategy and code for sport governance.
 - Expertise in facilities and safeguarding
 - Strives for quality and applies process towards optimising performance. Excellent communicator, inspires, motivates, builds teams. Identifies and develops partnerships and opportunities, results orientated
 - Active promoter of equality, diversity and inclusion
 - Self-critical, sets aims and targets. Keen to build on successes achieved in education, sport for development and as a board member
 - Invited to meet representatives commissioned to write the legacy plan for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games. (2015)
 - Interviewed by a representative of University of Tsukuba, Japan for the legacy project for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games. (2018)
 - Volunteer for Power2Inspire a charity whose mission is “To embed inclusive sport in the sporting, education and community landscapes.”
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Board Experience

Independent Non-Executive Director, England Handball Association 2014 -

- Energetic and committed Workforce Development Director. Written strategy for development of coaches, officials and volunteers, papers on qualification reform and EHF compliance
 - Joined with directors to create momentum for change, bring focus on strategic matters, meet governance compliance standards and build support for recruitment of an independent chair
 - Chair Workforce Advisory Group with university and county sport partnership representatives.
 - Commercial Development Advisory Group, focus on brand development, marketing and events
 - Supported Level 2 Coaching award accreditation and creation of Activator Award.
 - Marketing, management and administration of England Handball courses brought in-house
 - Contributor to the new strategic plan helping achieve funding of £1.4m
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Employment and Relevant Experience

20012 - 2015 Seconded to London Academy of Excellence, Co-curricular Coordinator

- Support Headteacher to establish the London Academy of Excellence
- Co-ordinate a wide-ranging co-curricular programme making optimum use of staff skills and interests to provide opportunities for all sixth formers.
- Successful funding applications to Worshipful Company of World Traders, Ford Britain, Jack Petchey Foundation and EMI.
- 2015 Sunday Times Sixth Form College of the Year

2007 - 2012 Seconded for City of London 2012 strategy, Community Sport Skills Development Officer

- Co-wrote “National Framework for Handball” for UK Sport on behalf of British Handball
- Visiting lecturer, St Mary’s University, PGCE, Sports Science & Coach Education courses
- Visiting lecturer to University of East London, PGCE courses
- Contributor “Safe Practice in Physical Education and School Sport” published by Association for Physical Education (AfPE) publication
- Introduction of Handball to London Youth Games, sub-regional tournaments and festivals
- England Handball Schools Committee, organising National Schools Handball competitions
- Co-founder & Chair London Handball Association, supporting participation and clubs

- Presentation to AfPE National Conference showing handball's infiltration to curriculums within primary and secondary schools in London
- Co-author "Proposed use of the Handball arena from 2013" for London Legacy Corporation on behalf of England and British Handball Associations
- Successful funding application to Sport England

1998 - 2007 City of London School, Director of On-site Sport, Head of PE

- Led a department of four full time specialists, responsible for curriculum development, physical activity and sport options, financial management and games administration
- Manage Games programme supported by 29 staff, 9 coaches, 4 groundsmen utilising 7 venues
- Organiser of National Schools Swimming Championships
- Extra-curricular commitments to Swimming, Water Polo, Basketball, Athletics
- Inter-House Sports programme
- Awards, Scholarships and Bursaries
- Department highly judged in successive inspections

1985 - 2007 City of London School, Master i.c. Swimming

- Responsibility for the swimming curriculum, rugby, basketball and athletics teams
- Co-founder of a Schools Basketball Association
- Secretary to the Schools Water Polo League
- Winners of Regional Swimming and Basketball titles
- Extra-curricular commitments to Swimming, Water Polo, Basketball, Athletics
- London Schools Swimming Association committee, re-shaped swimming competitions for secondary schools
- Assisted National Water Polo Championships organiser

1980 - 1985 St Ignatius College, Enfield. Master i.c. 1st XV Rugby

- Responsibility for 1st XV Rugby building successful teams, tour to Portugal
- Master i.c. Athletics organising fixtures, training and entry to national competitions
- National Finalists in Schools Track & Field Cup Competition
- Extra-curricular commitments to Rugby, Swimming, Basketball, Athletics
- Fund raising for sports tour

1977 - 1980 Rokeby School, Newham. Assistant Teacher, i.c. Swimming

- Responsibility for swimming curriculum, borough training squad and annual Newham Schools Swimming Championships
- Extra-curricular commitments to Football, Swimming, Athletics
- London Schools Cup Finalists, tour to Belgium
- Fund raising for sports tour and maintenance of facilities

Education & Qualifications

1982 - 1985	B.Ed Honours (2:2)	North London Polytechnic (C.N.A.A.)
1974 - 1977	Certificate in Education (QTS)	Borough Road College, University of London
1967 - 1974	Six O-Levels	Kings School, Peterborough

Professional Development, Conferences & Meetings

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- Webinar: How to align your talent with your change strategy, 07/2017
- Webinar: Why 70:20:10 isn't enough to build a learning organisation, 05/2017
- Breakfast Event: Decision making in times of ambiguity, 04/2017
- Webinar: All change is not equal - The 5 contexts of change, 03/2017
- Conference: Thriving in times of change, 03/2017
- Webinar: Create a future-proof talent strategy for your organisation, 10/2016
- London Sport Stakeholder Breakfast Briefing, 05/2018
- Conference for Initial Teacher Training Professionals, Coventry, 04/2018
- CIPD Learning & Development Show - Drive performance through learning, London, 04/2018

- UK Coaching “England Coaching Summit” 11/2017
 - International Council of Sports Science Physical Education: The First Ten Years, Berlin, 11/2017
 - Hays McIntyre Sport Finance Special Interest Group, 09/2017
 - Moore Stephens Governance and Risk Assurance meetings, 07/2017
 - AfPE National Conference "Strive to Thrive: Moving PE forward in times of change." 07/2017
 - AfPE London Region Conference for Initial Teacher Training, 05/2017
 - ElevateArena, London, 05/2016-18
 - AfPE National Conference “Moving Muscles, Hearts & Minds” 07/2016
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Professional Memberships & Groups

- Association for Physical Education
- Sport & Recreation Alliance Directors Club
- iSportConnect Directors Club
- Sport & Recreation Alliance Games Division
- SportsGroup
- Enfield Sport

References available on request