



## **Middlesex Squash Developing Coaches Academy**

**Do you have a passion for squash/racket sports and are you interested in developing a career in coaching? If so, this is an exciting opportunity for you.**

The newly launched Middlesex Squash Developing Coaches Academy is looking for a group of trainees or existing coaches who want to learn everything there is to know about being a full-time squash coaching professional. The Academy is supported by Middlesex Squash, London Sport and is part-funded by Sport England.

The Trainee Coaches Programme is for a period of twelve months and involves an initial three month needs analysis and intensive training period followed by a nine-month monitored placement working with and fully supported by, a convenient local club in Middlesex, at which the trainee coach will be expected to facilitate and build a progressive, dynamic and well organised Schools and Junior Squash Coaching outreach programme. During this time the trainee coach will receive a direct financial benefit based on the number of coaching hours undertaken.

It has been recognised that in order to develop the next generation of excellent, full-time professional coaches, more skills are needed than just “how to” and “what to” coach. First-rate business and key organisational skills are also needed, plus constant advice, guidance and mentoring from those who have been there and done it! This programme will provide those skills and the training and mentoring necessary to ensure that those who “graduate” at the end of the twelve months are fully equipped to earn an attractive and sustainable level of income from full-time squash coaching.

It is also intended that, dependent upon age and availability, some trainees may be able to enroll on a twelve-month apprenticeship programme, linked to a local college, which could lead to a formal NVQ Level 2 qualification in Coaching and Activity Leadership. This will run alongside the Middlesex Developing Coaches Academy programme which itself offers the additional opportunity to complete formal England Squash coaching qualifications (levels 1-3).

**Are you are interested in a career in full-time squash coaching? Are enthusiastic, reliable, determined and keen to learn, then we would like to hear from you.** Please email Vickie Prow Middlesex Squash Development Officer on [middxsquash@gmail.com](mailto:middxsquash@gmail.com) in the first instance expressing your interest along with a copy of your CV. If you would like an initial informal chat before applying please contact Vickie on 07796 181286.

**The closing date for applications is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016**