



Rugby League Development Officer

Salary: £28,000 – £30,000 per annum

Location: Sheffield

Contract: Permanent, Full Time (37.5 hours per week, including evenings and weekends)

The Eagles Foundation is seeking to appoint a Rugby League Development Officer to strengthen and sustain Rugby League across Sheffield and the surrounding areas.

About the role: You will focus on supporting the growth and development of Rugby League across the city by creating stronger connections between schools, community clubs and performance environments. Acting as the key link between these partners, you will help create clear and sustainable player pathways that enable more young people to participate, develop and progress within the sport.

A key priority of the role will be working with clubs to develop and extend the existing female pathway, building a sustainable Under 19s programme that supports player retention and progression beyond the current Under 16s offer. Alongside this, you will support the development and alignment of male player pathways, helping to create opportunities for talented players to progress while strengthening participation at all levels of the game.

Working collaboratively with clubs, schools, local authorities and Rugby League partners, you will support club sustainability through volunteer development, coach education, player recruitment and retention initiatives, whilst also delivering programmes within schools and communities that increase participation and engagement in Rugby League.

The role will also contribute to the long-term sustainability of Rugby League development in Sheffield by identifying funding opportunities, supporting funding applications and developing relationships with potential commercial partners.

About you: You will have experience working within sport development, community sport or Rugby League environments and will be passionate about creating opportunities for people to participate and succeed in sport.

You will have experience delivering and coaching Rugby League across all age groups and be confident engaging with a range of participants and stakeholders. Experience of coaching within Rugby League player pathways and performance programmes would be highly desirable

You will possess excellent communication and organisational skills, be capable of managing multiple projects and priorities, and be comfortable working independently as well as part of a wider team.

Applicants should hold a Level 2 Rugby League Coaching Qualification (or equivalent recognised qualification), have strong IT skills and be willing to undertake any additional training required, including safeguarding, first aid and mental health fitness delivery training.



How to apply

Applicants should submit a CV and a covering letter of no more than 1,000 words outlining their suitability for the role and demonstrating how they meet the criteria detailed within the person specification.

Applications should be emailed to enquiries@eaglesfoundation.co.uk.

Closing Date: Wednesday 1700hrs, 14th July 2026

For an informal discussion regarding the role, please contact Andrea Dobson on 07960 135 699 or via email at andrea.dobson@eaglesfoundation.co.uk

Safeguarding

The Eagles Foundation is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful applicant will be required to undertake an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Equal Opportunities

The Eagles Foundation is committed to equality, diversity and inclusion and welcomes applications from all sections of the community. We are an equal opportunities employer and will ensure that no applicant or employee receives less favourable treatment because of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation.