



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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- Wasps Legends donate £2,500 to Cranstoun.
- Donation will support financial and administrative support to obtain essential items needed to access employment.

Wasps Legends Charitable Foundation, the past players network of Wasps, men and women, amateur and professional announced today that they have issued a small grant award of £2,500 to Cranstoun.

Cranstoun is a charity empowering people to live healthy, safe and happy lives. Their skilled and compassionate teams work with service users, families and communities, helping them to make positive changes. Cranstoun have been making a difference since 1969 by combining expertise with innovative approaches, and putting people at the heart of what they do.

The £2,500 donation will support 'Entry into Employment Loans' for the West Berkshire service, whereby service users can apply and get financial and administrative support to obtain essential items needed to access employment. Essentials that can be accessed include: entry-level course fees, clothing, equipment, trade tools and access to health and safety certificates. Combining with Cranstoun's contribution will also allow increasing the volunteer base to support users of the service. The funding will provide an immediate solution to support an immediate need and support approximately 25 users.

Clare Maryan, Director of Development for Cranstoun said of the donation: "We are thrilled to be awarded this grant. Service users can be prevented from taking their first step towards employment if they are unable to obtain simple, everyday items, which can be mandatory to enter the workplace. This donation will enable our service users to achieve their employment goals"

Genevieve Glover, Chair of Wasps Legends Charitable Foundation said of the announcement: "We are pleased to be supporting Cranstoun. Not only does the charity work with individuals in structured treatment programmes to support people to achieve their substance recovery goals but also provides them with support and funding to get themselves back into employment, increasing their chances of abstinence."

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### **Notes to editor**

#### **Wasps Legends Charitable Foundation**

Wasps Legends was founded in 2005 with the aim of bringing back past players; men and women, amateur and professional to raise funds for their chosen charities. In 2012, the Wasps Legends Charitable Foundation was established with the aim to raise funds to support a specific project each year that is close to the hearts of the Wasps Legends family.



For more information on the Wasps Legends Charitable Foundation, please call Louise Latter on 07703 438 935 or email [loulatter@hotmail.com](mailto:loulatter@hotmail.com).

### **Cranstoun**

Cranstoun is a charity empowering people to live healthy, safe and happy lives. They offer a wide range of services across England, including community-based outreach, treatment and recovery, detox, supported housing, and specialist services for young people and families and carers.

Visit Cranstoun's website at [cranstoun.org](http://cranstoun.org) or follow Cranstoun on Twitter at [twitter.com/Cranstoun\\_org](https://twitter.com/Cranstoun_org).