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Press Release

## **HOTSHOT WHEELIES LAUNCH AT CAMBRIDGE REGIONAL COLLEGE**

**A new sports club with a difference launched at Cambridge Regional College yesterday when the Hotshot Wheelies took to the court.**

The wheelchair basketball club held a free taster session for young people aged between 10 and 19 years old – both with and without a disability - with players from the Bury Bombers coming along to help out.

The sport – described as fast, furious and great fun – has been funded as part of the national Change4Life Sports Clubs programme, which aims to increase club opportunities in seven Olympic and Paralympic sports, including wheelchair basketball.



The new Hotshot Wheelies take to the court, helped by the Bury Bombers

The Hotshot Wheelies also aim to help raise awareness of the avenues open to talented young people with disabilities as well as providing a chance for them to get involved in sport.

The new project, organised by Cambridge School Sports Partnership, attracted keen young players of all ages to the first session.

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#### **NOTES TO EDITORS**

Cambridge Regional College is the second largest provider of full-time further education for 16 to 19 year-olds in the eastern region. The College has more than 4,000 full-time and 6,000 part-time students. Students come in from a 40-mile radius, covering Cambridge and its surrounding villages, eastern Bedfordshire, northern Essex and western Suffolk.

Over 80 per cent of full-time students are aged 16 to 18 years old and come to the College after secondary school; the rest are mature students, studying on a range of Access to Higher Education and vocational programmes. The College offers the largest and most comprehensive range of vocational courses in Cambridgeshire, and has one of the largest work-based learning contracts in the Eastern Region.