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Kelly & Sir Mike lead charity bid for Forces

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DOUBLE Olympic gold medalist Dame Kelly Holmes yesterday opened the first trustees' meeting of a new armed forces charity backed by The Sun.

Dame Kelly, 40, who served in the Army for ten years, joins former head General Sir Mike Jackson at the helm of the ForceSelect Foundation.

ForceSelect is the specialist recruitment firm behind our Jobs for Heroes campaign to get work for unemployed ex-servicemen and women.

It has already found jobs for more than 100 and secured the promise of more in a major deal with British Gas. A percentage of the recruitment firm's profits will be released to the Foundation to support smaller charities helping Our Boys and their families.

Former Army PT instructor Dame Kelly joined the other trustees in central London.

She said: "For those small charities who don't have a high profile, it will be great to boost them."

The Foundation hopes to raise £500,000 this year. Dame Kelly and Sir Mike are joined on the board by Sir John Rose, of car giant Rolls-Royce.

Chairman Sir Mike said: "Dame Kelly will be a great asset. She already does a huge amount of fantastic work for charity including chairing her own DKH Legacy Trust."

AMMO TROOP RISK

British troops in Afghanistan are at risk of dodgy ammo and explosives due to poor storage, an MoD safety report has warned.