

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure, Arts and Communities Committee - 8 September 2008

REPORT ON: SportTayside & Fife - Partnership Support 2008-2010

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Committee of SportTayside & Fife Sports Partnership progress in 2008/09 and to seek approval for the revenue grant allocation for the remaining two years of the partnership.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Committee are asked to note the achievements of SportTayside and Fife Sports Partnership in 2007-08 and their future plans for 2008-09.
- 2.2 That the Committee agrees the level of Revenue Grant funding amounting to £46,000 over the two-year period.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Provision of the funding of £23,000 per annum has been made in the Leisure and Communities Department's Revenue Budget.

4.0 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 **SportTayside & Fife** is a sports partnership established to strengthen sporting infrastructure, leading to sustainable increases in participation and improved performance in sport across Tayside & Fife.

The partnership consists of four Local Authority partners - Angus, Dundee, Fife and Perth & Kinross Councils; Perth & Kinross Leisure Ltd and selected Scottish Governing Bodies.

Additionally, the partnership works closely with each of the Local Authorities' respective Sports Councils, **sports**scotland, colleges, universities clubs and coaches throughout the area and with the Tayside and Fife Institute of Sport. These partnerships will ensure each sport's full pathway is supported within Tayside and Fife.

- 4.2 To ensure strategic planning and implementation, the Department's Sports Development Section works closely with **SportTayside & Fife** Sports Specific Development Managers and Active Schools Co-ordinators to create annual action plans for each sport within Dundee. These implementation plans are reviewed quarterly to ensure progression, communication and clarify roles and responsibilities across the 8 sports.
- 4.3 Review of the Year 2007-2008

The partnership has been successful in achieving the following highlights over the past year:

Coaching:

Delivery of 53 courses and workshops, with 731 coaches attending.

Thirty three identified sports' coaches are going through the partnership's Coach Scholarship programme - a long-term continuous personal development programme.

Athletics:

15 Run, Jump & Throw clubs operating with 210 regular participants and 18 coaches.

90 primary schools involved 'Fun in Athletics' programme.

Basketball:

Record number of Tayside & Fife secondary schools entered the Basketball Scotland's Scottish Schools' Cups and Plates.

Registered player numbers increased from 324 to 382 for season 07/08 in Tayside and Fife.

ClubGolf:

Over 100 coaches actively involved in delivered club golf and 135 primary schools delivering first clubgolf.

Girls' & Women's Football:

Over 1,500 coaches through Coach Education certificate courses in Tayside & Fife.

18 new teams for Secondary School girls through the Bank of Scotland Soccer One programme.

Gymnastics:

Scottish Governing Body Talent Identification programme operating across Tayside & Fife competitive club structure.

Increase in the number of Primary Schools delivering gymnastics' programmes in Dundee, Fife & Perth.

Increase in Dundee & Perth entering National Gymnastics' competitions.

Hockey:

Five clubs are operating with club development plans in place and seven clubs have been supported to develop by the Hockey Development Manager.

Eighty two 12-16 year old players in Development Squads in Dundee and Perth & Kinross – a 64% increase from 2006/07.

Twenty five Primary Schools' festivals held across the region.

Rugby:

17% increase in adults playing rugby. (1314 – 1451)

13% increase in young people playing rugby. (2545 – 2616)

The number of Rugby Club Development Officers, SVQ Community Coaches and employed Coaches in Tayside & Fife rose to 16 during 2007/08.

Swimming:

135 coaches and teachers gained a recognised qualification.

100 children and young people identified through talent identification programmes for District Regional Programme.

Academy Programme:

Establishment of its new mutli-sports' generic strength and conditioning programme for

clubgolf and rugby squads, supporting 109 identified athletes - (with another 70 from basketball, cricket and hockey squads forecast to join the programme later this year).

4.4 Future Plans for 2008-2009:

Deliver the programmes, targets and outcomes of the eight sport specific Four Year Development Plans and subsequent joint local authority action plans.

Continue the roll out of the Academy generic support programmes

Intensify the delivery of the coaching programme - both the sport specific and generic elements.

Implement the governing body club development schemes with identified clubs through the eight Sport Specific Action Plans working closing with the ClubDundee scheme.

Hold regular operational meetings with TFIS to work on common issues.

Continue through the Regional Group led by **sportscotland** to review progress on the development of new facilities/access on a sport by sport basis and amend Regional Facility Requirements summary accordingly.

Communicate the outcomes and successes of the Partnership's work to its key stakeholders and partners via the website, newsletters and local development groups.

5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance) and Head of Finance have been consulted on this report and are in agreement with its contents.

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 None.

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