

FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: **LIFELONG LEARNING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

DATE: **THURSDAY, 11 JULY 2013**

REPORT BY: **DIRECTOR OF LIFELONG LEARNING**

SUBJECT: **SPORT AND LEISURE BUSINESS PLAN 2013-2017 - A LOCAL AUTHORITY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH SPORT WALES**

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.01 To brief the Committee on the Sport Flintshire four year Business Plan along with its five high level outcomes which measure the success of the 'Every Child Hooked on Sport for Life' aspiration. The plan also outlines priorities and programme detail on delivery, monitoring, success and funding.

2.00 BACKGROUND

2.01 In 2008 Flintshire County Council and Sport Wales entered into a Local Authority Partnership Agreement (LAPA). The purpose of which was to give local authorities greater ownership of the investment they make to deliver programmes and projects which are bespoke to local need and demand.

2.02 Sport Wales' investment into Flintshire via the LAPA for 2013 totals £558,404. This includes funds to operate the 5x60 Secondary Schools Programme, Dragon Sport and Free Swimming Initiative, as well as additional funds to run smaller programmes in response to local needs, but which also deliver the service high level outcomes.

2.03 Local Authorities were challenged in 2012 to produce a plan which set out aspirational targets to achieve the High level outcomes for the 'Every Child Hooked on Sport for Life' report card These are;

1. Level 5 attainment in PE at Key Stage 3
2. % of pupils that have attended a sports club in the last 12 months
3. % of pupils (7-16yrs) that take part in 3 or more sessions per week
4. % of 16-24 year olds that take part in 3 or more sessions per week
5. % of adults that regularly volunteer in sport

The targets set are outlined in the plan in Appendix 1.

- 2.04 Flintshire adopted a Results Based Accountability (RBA) approach to the plan ensuring that every programme and officer understood the outcomes and focused on how they contribute to achieving these outcomes, giving greater ownership and understanding of the plan within the team.
- 2.05 The success of achieving these outcomes will be measured through information arising from the Sport Wales national Active Adults Survey and the School Sport Survey, along with data collected locally. The Sport Flintshire team has assisted and supported schools in completing the survey, promoting its importance in informing future provision, evidencing well-being and providing pupils with a voice: all significant contributions in relation to Estyn inspections and future sports development programmes.

3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.01 The plan addresses the sector wide Vision for Sport in Wales and Community Sport Strategy for Wales. The plan also contributes to a number of Council Priorities and Statutory Plans within the authority, most notably Core Aim 4 within the Children and Young Peoples Plan.
- 3.02 The Sport Flintshire Team has planned programmes which meet local need and national targets. It has, over the past 4 years, exceeded targets which have been set. Some key data for 2012/13 includes 72% of secondary pupils involved in 5x60, 24,700 dragon sport registrations, over £43,000 added value to programmes through utilising volunteers and 22 new sports clubs or sustainable sessions created due to the Festival of Youth Sport. The team has achieved high standards in relation to 'Excellent' Quest status (UK quality and improvement scheme for sport, leisure and recreation) being ranked 3rd in the UK. This reflects its ambition to improve and achieve more through the targets set for the next four years.

4.00 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.01 The Committee endorses the plan.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.01 The current level of investment from Sport Wales in support of this plan is £558,404 per annum.

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

- 6.01 Many of the programmes and projects being delivered as part of the business plan offer local 'doorstep' opportunities for Flintshire residents to participate in predominantly no cost or low cost activities, such as free Dragon Sport after school sessions based at school sites.

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

8.00 EQUALITIES IMPACT

8.01 The four year business plan seeks to meet the needs of hard to reach young people through the provision of bespoke and engaging programmes.

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

There are no personnel implications directly arising from the report.

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

There are no new consultation requirements from this report.

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

Not applicable.

12.00 APPENDICES

12.01 Summary Sport Flintshire Business Plan 2013-2017

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Sport Wales, A Vision for Sport in Wales [copy in Members Library]
online at:

[http://www.sportwales.org.uk/media/506916/
sport_wales_english_vision_doc_reprint_all
v3.pdf](http://www.sportwales.org.uk/media/506916/sport_wales_english_vision_doc_reprint_all_v3.pdf)

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