

Report to: Development Committee

Subject: Support for Sport – Event Funding

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Relevant Background Information

The Support for Sport Scheme has funded clubs and organisations for the past six years. The scheme has four main elements, Development Grants, Large Development Grants and Hospitality funding (all of which are allocated by the Sports Development Unit through the Parks and Leisure Committee) and Events Funding which is allocated by the Events Unit through the Development Committee.

The Support for Sport Scheme (Events Funding) totals £85,000 and is allocated in three tranches to events being organised in Belfast.

Key Issues

Support for Sport Scheme

A number of Events Funding applications have now been received. These applications refer to events taking place during the period July 2009–March 2010. The applications have been assessed by officers using the assessment criteria agreed by the Development Committee in March 2008 (see Appendix 2). A list of the applications together with summary information and officer recommendations for funding is attached as Appendix 1.

Resource Implications

<u>Financial</u>

The total Support for Sport Scheme (Events Funding) for 2009/2010 is £85,000 and is allocated in three tranches.

In January 2009 the Development Committee agreed funding of £43,350 for events in 2009/2010 (first tranche). This left a balance of £41,650 available for the year.

The officer recommendations for Events Funding for events in 2009/2010 (second tranche) totals £19,880.

Recommendations

Members are asked to agree the officer recommendations for Events Funding and approve the payments totalling £19,880 as detailed.

Decision Tracking

The Sports Events Unit will monitor the Support for Sport Scheme (Events Funding).

Time Frame: March 2010 Reporting Officer: Tim Husbands

Documents Attached

Appendix 1 – Table of Events Funding applications with officer recommendations

Appendix 2 – Agreed Assessment Criteria