



## Belfast City Council

<b>Report to:</b>	Parks and Leisure Committee
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Support for Sport Development Grants</b>
<b>Date:</b>	11 October 2012
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	Andrew Hassard, Director of Parks & Leisure
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	Claire Moraghan, Sports Development Officer

<b>1</b>	<b>Relevant Background Information</b>
	<p>Members will be aware that delegated authority was given to the Director of Parks and Leisure for Hospitality and Development applications requesting up to £3,000 and £1,250 respectively; including a one off equipment grant of £250.</p> <p>At April 2012 committee, members agreed to the recommendations from the review of Support for Sport including the sum of £15,000 towards Individual Grants for high performance athletes. Funds were reallocated from a portion of the hospitality and marketing budgets for this purpose.</p>

<b>2</b>	<b>Key Issues</b>
	<p>The Director and relevant officer met on Thursday 27 September to discuss the Individual and Hospitality applications received during September 2012. 27 Individual and 2 Hospitality applications were received.</p> <p>The Individual applications received are listed in Appendix 1. Hospitality applications for September are listed in Appendix 2.</p> <p>The criteria for individual awards was developed in consultation with sports Governing Bodies and includes;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The athlete must be a resident of Belfast or compete for a club based in Belfast.</li><li>• The Governing Body makes the application on the athlete's behalf.</li><li>• The athlete must not be in receipt of funding from SportNI, Irish Sports Council or Mary Peters Trust.</li><li>• The athlete must have representative honours and be recognised by the Governing Body as performing at a high level.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The award must be put towards training and international competition costs.</li> <li>• The athlete must commit to make themselves available for photo opportunities, launches and promotional events where training commitments allow.</li> </ul> <p>Detailed applications are held in the Parks and Leisure Department and can be forwarded to Members on request. A copy of each application will be available at Committee.</p>
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<b>3</b>	<b>Resource Implications</b>															
	<p><u>Financial</u> The table below indicates the amounts allocated from the 2012/2013 budget.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">Area</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Total available</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Allocated to date</th> <th style="width: 20%;">Proposed allocation for September 2012</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Remaining after allocation</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Individual Awards</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£15,000</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£0</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£15,000</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Hospitality</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£25,000*</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£19,195</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£0</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£1,805</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>*following review hospitality reduced to from £31,000 to £25,000 (P&amp;L Committee 12 April 2012)</i></p> <p><u>Human Resources</u> There are no human resource implications other than officer time to process the applications.</p> <p><u>Asset and Other Implications</u> Not Applicable.</p>	Area	Total available	Allocated to date	Proposed allocation for September 2012	Remaining after allocation	Individual Awards	£15,000	£0	£15,000	£0	Hospitality	£25,000*	£19,195	£0	£1,805
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<b>4</b>	<b>Equality and Good Relations Considerations</b>
	<p>All applications have been assessed in line with the current Support for Sport scheme.</p> <p>Following the review of Support for Sport, the revised scheme has undergone equality screening in accordance with Council requirements. This process has 'screened out' the revised scheme, identifying only minor, positive equality impacts, and determining that there is no requirement to proceed to Equality Impact Assessment.</p>

<b>5</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
	<p>That members approve the recommendations for Individual grants detailed in Appendix 1 and agree that the Director of Parks and Leisure be given delegated authority to deal with future applications.</p> <p>That committee note the content of this report with regard to Support for</p>

	Sport Hospitality applications.
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<b>6</b>	<b>Decision Tracking</b>
	The Sports Development Officer to arrange the award of all Support for Sport Grants by 31 October 2012.

<b>7</b>	<b>Key to Abbreviations</b>
	None

<b>8</b>	<b>Documents Attached</b>
	Appendix 1: Individual Grant applications. Appendix 2: Hospitality Applications October 2012.