

Subject:		Partner Agreements				
Date:		10 January 2017				
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Is this	report restricted?		Yes	No	Х	
Is the	decision eligible fo	or Call-in?	Yes 2	X No		
1.0	Purpose of Repo	ort or Summary of main Issue	es			
1.1	This report is to provide an update on progress on implementation of Partner Agreement					
	for July - Septem	ber 2016.				
2.0	Recommendation	ecommendations				
2.1	The Committee is asked to;					
	Note prog	ress to date at each site.				
3.0	Main report					
	Legal Agreemen					
3.1	Council agreed to enter into Partner Agreements at the following sites with the clubs					
	identified below:			¬		
	Location		Partner			
	Dixon Playi		Sirocco Works FC			
		ommy Patton Memorial Park	East Belfast FC			
		Playing Fields	Co. Antrim Board GAA			
		Playing Fields	Loughside FC			
		d Playing Fields	Grove United FC			
		Playing Fields	Bloomfield FC			
	Ulidia Playii	ng Fields	Rosario FC			

3.2 Regular checks on the necessary Insurance, Child Protection and Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Governance checks are being completed monthly and quarterly at 6 of the 7 sites. All 6 of these partners have been confirmed as compliant on these matters. Note the information below relates to six of the seven sites (detail from Ulidia PF – Rosario FC is outstanding). The club has been formally written to and a meeting has been held, club officials have stated that the appropriate information will be forwarded to Council forthwith.

Financial Support to deliver Sports Development Plans

Successful applicants submitted plans to improve sports development outcomes at each site. Funding of up to £20,000 per annum is available for each partner for delivery of a programme supporting their Sports Development Plan. Financial support has been approved at all sites. Full Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 payments, plus initial payments of 80% of Quarter 3 budgets have been made at 6 of the 7 sites. Only Q1 initial payments have been made to Rosario FC. Rosario FC have made changes in personnel and the recently submitted mandatory information on safeguarding, sports development performance and expenditure is not of the required standard or format. A Sports Development Officer has met with club officials on several occasions and will continue to offer support until the required standards are achieved. It is anticipated that payments to Rosario will be approved during this guarter.

Monitoring

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- 3.4 End of quarter monitoring meetings took place from October December with all partners. These meetings are attended by partner representatives, parks management and sports development, with updates on site management and bookings, health and safety, and sports development plan.
- 3.5 Action plans are reviewed and agreed with the partners at these meetings to ensure that planned outcomes are achieved and improvements identified where required.

Sports Development Impact

- In line with Council objectives, the diversification of use and improved sports development impact are priorities at the partner agreement sites. Programme delivery has led to significant positive achievements across the sites.
- 3.7 The table below indicates outputs at the sites as reported by 6 of the 7 partners up to end

for July – September 2016. Information from Rosario FC is not included, for the reasons highlighted previously in this report. In the initial year of transition from the Facility Management Agreements there is evidence of growth in the level of diverse use and extensive partnership working.

A. Participation type		
Members of different codes	1261 people	
2. People with a Disability	146 people	
3. People from a minority ethnic background	296 people	
4. Females	886 people	
5. Older people	534 people	
6. Schools / youth organisations	45 groups	
B. Participation usage		
Matches held and numbers	278 matches and 10,947 users	
2. Training sessions and numbers	90 training sessions and 2700 users	
3. Other bookings / activity details	2,889 participants	
C. Partnership working		
Working with Belfast City Council	All reported partnership working	
2. Sports Governing Bodies	IFA, GAA, Cycling Ulster, Ulster Rugby	
3. Other teams / groups in your sport	94 teams/groups	
4. Other teams / groups in different sports	10 teams / groups	
5. Community / voluntary groups	17 community groups reported	
D. Social value		
Young people at risk	1,586people	
2.Encourage participation of under-	2895 people	
represented groups		
3. Promote positive cross community	2,437 people	
relations		
4. Promote health and wellbeing in socially	4,425 people	
deprived communities		
5. Promote Volunteering skills	152 volunteers supported	
6. Develop skills that will improve	33 volunteers trained	
employability		

	None		
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached		
3.9	None.		
	Equality or Good Relations Implications		
	Sports Development Plans at the Partner Agreement sites.		
3.8	A total of £140,000 per annum is available within revenue estimates to support annual		
	Financial & Resource Implications		