



Subject:	Partner Agreements
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Is the decision eligible for Call-in?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues										
1.1	This report is to provide an update on progress on implementation of Partner Agreements for October – December 2016.										
2.0	Recommendations										
2.1	The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none">Note progress to date at each site.										
3.0	Main report										
3.1	Legal Agreements Council agreed to enter into Partner Agreements at the following sites with the clubs identified below: <table border="1" data-bbox="319 1720 1252 1975"><thead><tr><th>Location</th><th>Partner</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>Dixon Playing Fields</td><td>Sirocco Works FC</td></tr><tr><td>Alderman Tommy Patton Memorial Park</td><td>East Belfast FC</td></tr><tr><td>Woodlands Playing Fields</td><td>Co. Antrim Board GAA</td></tr><tr><td>Loughside Playing Fields</td><td>Loughside FC</td></tr></tbody></table>	Location	Partner	Dixon Playing Fields	Sirocco Works FC	Alderman Tommy Patton Memorial Park	East Belfast FC	Woodlands Playing Fields	Co. Antrim Board GAA	Loughside Playing Fields	Loughside FC
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Shore Road Playing Fields	Grove United FC
Orangefield Playing Fields	Bloomfield FC
Ulidia Playing Fields	Rosario FC

3.2 Regular checks on the necessary Insurance, Child Protection and Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Governance are being completed monthly and quarterly at all 7 sites. All 7 of the partners have been confirmed as compliant on these matters.

Financial Support to deliver Sports Development Plans

3.3 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, Quarter 2, Quarter 3 plus initial payments of 80% of Quarter 4 budgets have been made at all 7 sites.

Monitoring

3.4 As well the monthly operational meetings, end of quarter monitoring meetings took place during the month of January with all 7 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 when required.

3.6 Site specific conditions including items such as containers, portacabins and advertising signage are being standardised.

Sports Development Impact

3.7 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.

3.8 The table below indicates outputs at the sites as reported by all 7 partners up to end of December 2016. 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.

<p>A. Participation type</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members of different codes 2. People with a Disability 3. People from a minority ethnic background 4. Females 5. Older people 6. Schools / youth organisations nos 	<p>3,850 people 349 people 1,126 people 1,352 people 1,247 people 1,912 people</p>
<p>B. Participation usage</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Matches held and numbers 2. Training sessions and numbers 3. Other bookings / activity details 	<p>337 matches and 14,540 users 209 training sessions and 6,240 users 1,466 participants</p>
<p>C. Partnership working</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Working with Belfast City Council 2. Sports Governing Bodies 3. Other teams / groups in your sport 4. Other teams / groups in different sports 5. Community / voluntary groups 	<p>All reported partnership working IFA, GAA, Cycling Ulster, Ulster Rugby 78 teams/groups 7 teams / groups 15 community groups reported</p>
<p>D. Social value</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Young people at risk 2. Encourage participation of under-represented groups 3. Promote positive cross community relations 4. Promote health and wellbeing in socially deprived communities 5. Promote Volunteering skills 6. Develop skills that will improve employability 	<p>3,397 people 4,442 people 6,562 people 10,862 people 338 volunteers supported 218 volunteers trained</p>

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