



<b>Subject:</b>	Belfast City Council Sports Development Strategy
<b>Date:</b>	5 June 2018
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
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<b>After Committee Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>After Council Decision</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Some time in the future</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Never</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues</b>
1.1	To seek approval for the terms of reference for development of a Belfast City Council Sports Development Strategy and proposed timeline for completion.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to recommend to Strategic Policy and Resources Committee: 1. The proposed terms of reference 2. The draft timeline for development of the strategy
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	<u>Key Issues</u> It was agreed by the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee at its meeting on 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 that a Belfast City Council Sports Development Strategy and associated funding strategy would be developed. This strategy is to provide a framework for future decision

making on providing funding to National Governing Bodies of Sport delivering programmes in Belfast in support of existing funding streams and work programmes which enhance sporting opportunities for Belfast’s sporting organisations and individuals.

Proposed Terms of Reference

3.2 Based on what was agreed at committee previously, the following are the proposed Terms of Reference for the development of the strategy:

3.3 In line with other strategies the strategy will be for a period of 10 years. The strategy will include the following:

- Policy context – regional and city level
- Baseline audit of the support currently provided by Belfast City Council
- Key findings from research and benchmarking around best practice from elsewhere
- Summary of the findings of pre-consultation with key stakeholders on support already provided and the needs of the sector
- Guiding principles on how we support sports at the different levels – recreational, competitive, performance (elite)
- Guiding principles on how we support sports to different bodies – governing bodies, sports clubs, other bodies - this will include the issue of whether support should only be provided to governing bodies recognised by the Home Countries Sports Bodies
- An action plan and associated performance measures

3.4 Draft Timeline

Subject to committee’s approval of the draft terms of reference the following is a proposed timeline for the development of the strategy.

Research and benchmarking of best practice	July 2018
Audit of support currently provided by BCC	July 2018
Draft aim and objectives	July 2018
Draft strategic and policy context and agreement on guiding principles – P&C and SP&R Committees.	August 2018
Pre consultation with key stakeholders including DfC, Sport NI and key governing bodies to determine what is already available and key needs of the sector	August and September 2018
Draft strategy document	November 2018

	Presentation of the draft strategy to P&C and SP&R Committees.	December 2018
	Council ratification	January 2019
	12 week public consultation	January to March 2019
	Analyse consultation findings and amend strategy as required	April 2019
	Finalise equality screening	April 2019
	Present draft strategy and action plans to SP&R and P&C Committee	May 2019
	Council ratification	June 2019
3.5	<u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u> The draft strategy will be equality screened in line with the Council's agreed process.	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>	
	None	