



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Update on Partner Agreements</b>
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<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	This report is to provide an update on progress on implementation of Partner Agreements for April – June 2018.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
2.1	The Committee is asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• note the quarterly progress to date at Partner Agreement sites.</li></ul>

**3.0 Main Report**

**3.1 Legal Agreements**

The Council agreed to enter into Partner Agreements at the following sites with the clubs identified below:

<b>Location</b>	<b>Partner</b>
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
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, Health and Safety and Governance have been completed monthly at all sites, with managers noting full compliance. The reporting documents were amended in accordance with audit requirements and sent to partners one month in advance of reporting deadlines. All of the partners have been confirmed as compliant on these matters. The Director of Neighbourhood Services, along with Legal Services and Sports Development, recently met with East Belfast FC to highlight concerns over continued non-compliance with reporting deadlines, vouching of financial claims, un-returned letters of offer, out of hours planned usage, debt unpaid usage and small claims, pitch usage without booking, hosting a festival without having an approved 24 point event plan in place and advertising boards which have not received approval. An action plan with deadlines was agreed at the meeting and fulfilment of this is being monitored. Council has the right to terminate the Partner Agreement if the Partner fails to observe or perform any of the obligations, conditions or agreements on its part agreed in the Partner Agreement.

**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. Letters of offer were sent to all partners based on approved sports development plans in the current financial year. Full payments have been made to all Partners in this Quarter.

3.4 Partners must submit Sports Development plans annually and these are being aligned to the financial planning calendar for the incoming year. Sports Plans for 2018/19 have been received from all Partners and Letters of Offer for 2018/19 returned accordingly.

**Monitoring**

3.5 End of quarter monitoring meetings were held 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, finance and sports development plan. 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**

3.6 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 all 7 partners for Quarter 1 (April – June 2018).

<b>A. Participation type</b>	
1. Members of different codes	592 people
2. People with a Disability	358 people
3. People from a minority ethnic background	600 people
4. Females	4721 people
5. Older people	684 people
6. Schools / youth organisations	22 groups
<b>B. Participation usage</b>	
Number of full pitch/adult matches on site	95 matches
Number of full pitch/adult match participations	3099 users
Number of small sided/youth match bookings on site	228 bookings
Number of small sided/youth matches on site	236 matches
Number of youth match participations	8102 users
Number of training sessions held on site	197 sessions
Number of training session participants	7840 participants
Number of other bookings / activities on site	19 bookings
Number of other bookings / activity participants on site	3590 participants

	<p><b>C. Partnership working</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Working with Belfast City Council</li> <li>2. Sports Governing Bodies</li> <li>3. Other teams / groups in your sport</li> <li>4. Other teams / groups in different sports</li> <li>5. Community / voluntary groups</li> </ol>	<p>All reported partnership working</p> <p>17</p> <p>169 teams / groups</p> <p>5 teams / groups</p> <p>6 community groups</p>
	<p><b>D. Social value</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Young people at risk</li> <li>2. Encourage participation of under- represented groups</li> <li>3. Promote positive cross community relations</li> <li>4. Promote health and wellbeing in socially deprived communities</li> <li>5. Promote Volunteering skills</li> <li>6. Develop skills that will improve employability</li> </ol>	<p>4 programmes 300 people</p> <p>2 programmes 2672 people</p> <p>3 programmes 59 people</p> <p>0 programmes</p> <p>0 volunteers programmes supported</p> <p>0 programmes</p>
3.8	<p><b><u>Financial and Resource Implications</u></b></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><b><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</u></b></p> <p>None</p>	
4.0	<p><b>Documents Attached</b></p>	
	<p>None</p>	