



<b>Subject:</b>	Sport NI "Your School Your Club" Funding
<b>Date:</b>	9 August 2022
<b>Reporting Officer:</b>	David Sales - Director
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<b>Restricted Reports</b>	
<b>Is this report restricted?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>If Yes, when will the report become unrestricted?</b>	
<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 update Committee regarding the Sport NI Your School Your Club funding in terms of new funding applications submitted from schools in the Belfast City Council Area.
<b>2.0</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
2.1	The Members of the Committee are asked to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Note progress to date in terms of the two applications submitted in 2019</li><li>• Support the seven new applications submitted to the Sport NI Your School Your Club fund.</li></ul>
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Main report</b>
3.1	Your School Your Club is a Sport NI funding programme aimed at promoting community use of schools' sports facilities. The opening of the schools' sport estate to community and club use will have a significant impact on the provision of sports facilities throughout Northern

	Ireland. Your School Your Club seeks to develop strategic partnerships in order to revitalise existing schools' sports facilities and/or to develop new additional provision.
3.2	In 2019 support was requested from Belfast City Council by two schools, Rathmore Grammar School and St. Mary`s CBS. This was noted by members of the People and Communities Committee on 3 December 2019.
3.3	The Rathmore Grammar School project was funded and completed in the 2019/20 financial year and the St. Mary`s CBS project will be funded in the current financial Year 2022/23
3.4	In June Sport NI put out a call for new expressions of interest from schools. This presented a very short turn around in terms of completion and a closing date of 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2022. As part of this process schools were asked to obtain support from their local Council.
3.5	Belfast City Council has been approached directly by seven schools, each requesting a letter of support for their application.
3.6	The schools requesting letters of support from Belfast City Council are; Belfast Boys Model School, Belfast Model School for Girls, Hazelwood Integrated College, Grosvenor Grammar School, Colaiste Feirste, Nettlefield Primary School and St. Oliver Plunkett Primary School.
3.7	Given the timeframe between council officers being approached by the schools and the deadline set by Sport NI, officers were unable to present a report to committee in advance.
3.8	The Director of Physical Programmes therefore contacted all Party Group Leaders asking if they would be happy that letters of support be submitted for all the schools and that this would be retrospectively advised to People and Communities Committee on 9 August 2022. Letters of offer were sent in line with the application deadline to the 7 schools who had submitted requests.
	<b>Financial &amp; Resource Implications</b>
3.9	No financial contribution is requested from Belfast City Council
	<b>Equality or Good Relations Implications/Rural Needs Assessment</b>
3.10	There are no additional impacts related to this report.
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Appendices – Documents Attached</b>
	None