



Subject:	Boxing Strategy Quarterly update
Date:	3 December 2019
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call-in	
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
1.1	This report is to provide an update on progress on implementation of Belfast Boxing Strategy for July – September 2019.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• note quarterly progress to date.
3.0	Main report
3.1	Background Council agreed, through the January 2018 Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, to provide £200,000 to the Irish Athletic Boxing Association Ulster Branch (IABA) in the current financial year for delivery of an agreed action plan supporting the Belfast Boxing Strategy.

The IABA provided a detailed breakdown of programmes to be delivered under six main areas.

Salary – Development Officer and coaches	£78,000
Pathways	£33,000
Events	£42,000
Coach Education	£17,000
Club Support	£23,000
Governance	£7,000
Total	£200,000

3.2 Following this decision the Belfast Boxing Strategy Steering Group has met quarterly. This Steering Group is chaired by the Director of Neighbourhood Services with Council Officers, IABA Officers and Officials and Co. Antrim Board Officials attending.

3.3 Monitoring

The Leisure Development Unit works directly with IABA officials to verify reporting on performance and finance and provides detailed reports for discussion at the Steering Group.

3.4 Performance

Council agreed a total of 34 Indicators with IABA to monitor delivery of the programmes. IABA have complied with reporting requirements and their performance report is at Appendix 1. Due to the seasonal nature of the sport several of the programmes have no data as these will be delivered in Q3 and Q4. IABA have provided narrative against each of the KPIs to describe progress against each indicator and plans to ensure that all targets are achieved at year end.

3.5 Financial & Resource Implications

A total of £200,000 is available within the current financial year to support the Action Plan.

Equality Impact/Rural Needs Assessment

3.6 The strategy was equality screened in line with the Council's equality process. The screening showed that there were potential adverse impacts on a number of groups including females and people with a disability and mitigating actions were added to the strategy. Members agreed that an equality screening be undertaken prior to a decision being made in relation to funding for 19/20. Officers finalised this screening and findings show that progress has been made in increasing the participation of underrepresented groups and this has been reported separately

	through the Strategic Policy and Resources Committee. The IABA continue to target underrepresented groups in its delivery of the 19/20 programme with particular focus on the events and non-contact programme.
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	Appendix 1. IABA Q2 Performance Report