



Subject:	Partner Agreements Update
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Never	<input type="checkbox"/>

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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 July – September 2019.
2.0	Recommendations
2.1	The Committee is asked to <ul style="list-style-type: none">• note quarterly progress to date at Partner Agreement sites.
3.0	Main report
3.1	Legal Agreements Council agreed to enter into Partner Agreements at the following sites with the clubs identified below:

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
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.

3.3 **Financial Support to deliver Sports Development Plans**

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 have been 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. Following the upgrade of one pitch at Ulidia an additional £24,000 is available to Rosario FC for this year only to support their transition arrangements. Partners must submit Sports Development plans annually which are aligned to the financial planning calendar for the incoming year. Plans for 2019/20 are in place.

3.4 **Monitoring**

End of quarter monitoring meetings have been 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.

All Partners compliant on reporting matters and financial vouching checks for Q2 2019/2020.

3.5

Sports Development Impact

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.

The table below indicates outputs at the sites as reported by all 7 partners for Quarter 2 (July – Sept 2019).

<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 	<p>1,040 people 30 people 429 people 1,547 people 929 people 10 schools /groups</p>
<p>B. Participation usage</p> <p>Number of full pitch/adult matches on site Number of full pitch/adult match participations Number of small sided/youth match bookings on site Number of small sided/youth matches on site Number of youth match participations Number of training sessions held on site Number of training session participants Number of other bookings / activities on site Number of other bookings / activity participants on site</p>	<p>132 matches 4,096 users 102 bookings 631 matches 8247 users 298 sessions 14,380 participants 19 bookings 3,650 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 11 engaged 59 teams / groups 4 teams / groups 7 community groups</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>4 programmes 2,962 people 4 programmes 2,858 people 4 programmes 1,731 people 3 programmes 3,100 people 3 volunteers 32 upskilled 1 programme 30 people</p>

3.6	<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>
3.7	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
3.8	<p><u>Equality or Good Relations Implications</u></p> <p>None.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
	None