



Subject:	Boxing Strategy Action Plan 2020 2021
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1.0	Purpose of Report or Summary of main Issues
	This report is to provide an update on plans to implement the Belfast Boxing Strategy for the current financial year as agreed by the Steering Group Members.
2.0	Recommendations
	The Committee is asked to confirm the draft action plan for implementation and to note the release of £200,000 for delivery of the action plan.

3.0	Main report														
	<p data-bbox="225 248 384 280"><u>Background</u></p> <p data-bbox="150 297 1455 752">3.1 Council agreed, through the January 2018 Strategic Policy and Resources Committee, to provide £200,000 to the Irish Athletic Boxing Association Ulster Branch (IABA) for delivery of an agreed action plan supporting the Belfast Boxing Strategy and this amount was set aside in the revenue estimates for the current financial year. IABA, along with other sporting bodies and their member clubs, is complying with current legislation and guidelines for participation in their activities. The majority of the planned activities are not available for delivery at this time, the full time development officer continues to work with clubs and groups on development and planning activities and the full time coach is delivering on line activities. The most significant change to this year's plan is recruit an additional school/community coach which will assist with outreach activities in the lead up to the European Youth Championship in Belfast in 2022. The majority of the planned activities for Q1 and Q2 have been rescheduled to Q2 and Q3, this matches the seasonal nature of boxing in a typical year.</p> <p data-bbox="150 808 1455 887">3.2 The IABA provided Council Officers with a detailed breakdown of programmes to be delivered across this financial year under six main areas.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="268 898 1409 1319"> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 904 1102 958">Salary – Development Officer and coaches</td> <td data-bbox="1102 904 1404 958">£87,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 958 1102 1012">Pathways</td> <td data-bbox="1102 958 1404 1012">£27,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1012 1102 1066">Events</td> <td data-bbox="1102 1012 1404 1066">£42,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1066 1102 1120">Coach Education</td> <td data-bbox="1102 1066 1404 1120">£13,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1120 1102 1173">Club Support</td> <td data-bbox="1102 1120 1404 1173">£24,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1173 1102 1227">Governance</td> <td data-bbox="1102 1173 1404 1227">£6,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="272 1227 1102 1281">Total</td> <td data-bbox="1102 1227 1404 1281">£200,000</td> </tr> </table> <p data-bbox="150 1368 1455 1514">3.3 The Belfast Boxing Strategy Steering Group will be able to meet quarterly, using online applications, to discuss issues around planning and delivery. The Steering Group is chaired by the Director of Neighbourhood Services with Council Officers, IABA Officers and Officials and Co. Antrim Board Officials attending.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1581 1455 1693">3.4 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.</p> <p data-bbox="150 1760 1455 1957">3.5 Performance Council agreed a total of 37 Indicators with IABA to monitor delivery of the programmes. Summary of Q1 activities is listed at the bottom of Appendix 1. IABA will continue to comply with reporting requirements and it is intended to present their performance report to committee at the end of Q3 and Q4.</p>	Salary – Development Officer and coaches	£87,500	Pathways	£27,000	Events	£42,000	Coach Education	£13,000	Club Support	£24,500	Governance	£6,000	Total	£200,000
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3.6	<p><u>Financial & Resource Implications</u></p> <p>A total of £200,000 is available within the current financial year to support the Action Plan.</p>
3.7	<p><u>Equality Impact or Good Relations/Rural Needs Assessment</u></p> <p>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. An equality screening was undertaken prior to the decision on funding for 19/20. Findings showed that progress was made in increasing the participation of underrepresented groups. The IABA continue to target underrepresented groups with particular focus on the events and non-contact programmes. Specific reporting has been implemented to demonstrate the increasing levels of participation among females. The three Belfast clubs which had been affiliated to the Northern Ireland Boxing Association (NIBA) have re-joined the IABA and are now supported through the Strategy action plan and access Council Sports Development funding.</p>
4.0	Appendices – Documents Attached
4.1	<p>Appendix 1. Belfast Proposed Quarterly Breakdown 2020 2021</p> <p>Appendix 2. BCC Boxing Strategy Strategic Plan for 2020-2021</p>