

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

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**Report of the Strategic Director for Children &
Younger Adults**

**DELIVERING BETTER OUTCOMES FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS
DERBYSHIRE, THROUGH IMPROVED PE AND SCHOOL SPORT PROVISION –
GRANT REQUEST – (Education)**

Purpose of the Report

To approve funding to support the infrastructure costs within the 8 school sport partnerships in Derbyshire during 2013-2015.

Information and Analysis

The new PE and Sport Plan for Schools and Colleges in Derbyshire 2012-2015 was launched in May 2012. This sets out a clear vision, 7 ambitions and 35 targets for PE and school sport in Derbyshire.¹ The Vision is;

“To ensure that all young people in schools and colleges in Derbyshire enjoy their experience of physical education and sport, are supported to fulfil their potential and motivated to choose an active lifestyle.”

The delivery of the plan is being coordinated through the newly created Derbyshire PE and School Sport Strategy Group. The key agencies involved in its delivery are schools, Derbyshire County Council, the 8 school sport partnerships, Derbyshire Schools' Sports Association and Derbyshire Sport.

Much of the work is being driven through the 8 school sport partnerships within the County Council area. Over the past 7 years these have produced some outstanding work in the transformation of PE and School Sport in Derbyshire. During this time, the participation of young people (5 -16 yrs) in PE, leadership and volunteering, school sport and community sport based programmes has significantly increased.

¹ Physical Education and Sport Plan for Schools and Colleges in Derbyshire 2012- 2015
www.derbyshiresport.co.uk/about_us/plans/default.asp

- In 2009/10 (last date national survey data was available) approaching 90% of our pupils were taking part in at least 2 hours a week high quality PE – an increase of 13% from 2005/06
- 45% of pupils were taking part in inter-school competition – an increase of 10% from 2005/06
- 22% of pupils were actively involved in sports leadership and volunteering – a threefold increase from 2005/06

Following the Comprehensive Spending Review in 2010, the national funding to the school sport partnerships reduced significantly from circa £160m to circa £35m per annum. This loss of over £2m per annum in Derbyshire, threatened the existence of the school sport partnerships in the county. However, as a result of some excellent collaboration between Derbyshire County Council, Derbyshire Sport, school sport partnerships and schools in the county, sufficient funds were secured to continue the work of the partnerships and some excellent outcomes for young people have resulted.

The funding package which was put in place for the period September 2011-August 2013 is detailed below.

Funding for school sport partnerships in Derbyshire September 2011 to August 2013 (per annum)	
National Funding (DoH) to 8 school sport partnerships per annum (8 x £26,000)	£208,000
Schools contributions (affiliation fees) paid by schools to each partnership in return for agreed services	£200,000
PSA Reward Grant (relating to achieving NI57 – 2 hours a week high quality PE)	£186,000
DCC revenue grant for programme delivery	£100,000
Grant from DCC to support the Derbyshire Schools Sports Association	£7,500
Total per annum	£701,500

The Funding Requirement 2013-2015

The Department of Health has extended its agreement and committed £208,000 per annum for 2013-2015, to support the work of the school sport partnerships.

It is still to be confirmed but anticipated that schools will continue to contribute to the work of the school sport partnerships at the same level for a further 2 years - circa £200,000 per annum. This is a clear illustration that schools really value the support they are receiving from the partnerships in the development of PE, school sport competition, everyday activity and leadership and volunteering.

The additional funding required to complete the funding package for the school sport partnerships across the county for 2013-2015 is £168,000 per annum. This is summarised in the table below.

Funding for school sport partnerships/PE and sport in schools and colleges in Derbyshire September 2013 to August 2015 (Per annum)		
	Confirmed 2013-2015	Still required for 2013- 2015
National Funding (DoH) to 8 school sport partnerships per annum (8 x £26,000)	£208,000	
Schools contributions (affiliation fees) paid by schools to each partnership in return for agreed services		£200,000
Revenue gap to complete the funding package for school sport partnership infrastructure 2013-2015		£168,000
Total per annum	£208,000 (A)	£368,000 (B)
Total (A+B)		£576,000

What will this investment achieve?

Maintaining the staff resource within each of the 8 school sport partnerships in Derbyshire is one the keys to the successful delivery of the new Plan for PE and Sport in Schools and Colleges in Derbyshire 2012- 2015.

They will provide the lead at local level for the 7 outcomes of the plan;

- To engage young people and PE teachers in developing an enjoyable, high quality PE curriculum that develops the skills and confidence of all young people and which motivates them to fulfil their potential and to choose an active lifestyle
- To provide a well organised, appropriate and enjoyable programme of competitions and festivals for students of all abilities, including those with Special educational needs (SEN) or a disability, at local and county levels and linking to national governing bodies.
- To offer a coordinated leadership development programme to Key Stage 2 – Key Stage 5 students that aims to recruit, develop and deploy young leaders in roles such as coaching, officiating, administration, communications.
- To ensure that young people of all abilities can transfer from their school and college activities to sustained activity in community based sports clubs
- To ensure all young people who are gifted & talented in PE and sport are identified and appropriately signposted to a suitable talent development programme

- To ensure that more young people take part more often in locally co-ordinated physical activity programmes
- To ensure that all stakeholders involved in the delivery of PE and school sport share the vision and ambitions within this plan and work together to achieve the targets.

These 7 ambitions link very closely and draw strongly from the priorities for the Children and Younger Adults Service and the *Journey to Excellence* Strategy. Some of these links are illustrated below:

Keeping children and young people safe

- The management of safeguarding in sport programmes, to help ensure that young people are safe within after school sports activities and school community club links programmes
- The promotion of coaching standards and coach education to improve the standard of coaches working with young people
- Promotion of health and safety guidelines and best practice within PE and school sport across the county

Ensuring children start school healthy and ready to learn

- Universal programmes to create opportunities to increase physical activity levels of all young people and to contribute to general health improvements
- Promotion of daily physical activities and short burst programmes which have been evidenced to have a positive effect on young people's concentration levels and readiness to learn
- Targeted support programmes to those children and young people who are overweight or obese to encourage them to become more active and healthier as a result
- Engagement of more young people in school sports activities and sports leadership programmes. Evidence has suggested these help to create a more positive attitude towards school and learning

Ensuring young people and their families are ready for the world of work and accelerating learning

- Developing strong sports leadership programmes. Almost 1 in 5 young people in Derbyshire now become involved in sports leadership, gaining valuable qualifications and experience. Many go on to use these as a volunteer and others use the skills and experiences gained to secure part time paid work
- An involvement in sport does have a very positive impact for some young people on their confidence, self-esteem and their readiness to learn. All of these impact positively on their readiness for work

Close the gap between vulnerable groups (SEN and disability; children on free school meals; children in care etc) and their peers

- New opportunities created for hundreds of young people with SEN or a disability to take part in schools competitions and link to community sports clubs
- New opportunities created for young people with SEN or a disability to become actively involved in sports leadership and coaching
- Targeted support programmes to engage children in care in sports activities in school and the community

Ensuring our gifted and talented children can compete with the nation's finest for the world's most attractive opportunities

- Young People who are gifted and talented in PE and sport will be systematically identified and supported to fulfil their potential. This will allow them to develop as individuals and to compete nationally and internationally in sport and in so doing to enhance the reputation of Derbyshire
- Talented young people will be encouraged to develop as leaders, coaches and administrators and provided with the opportunities to take on national local, regional and national roles with the opportunity to perform these duties on the international stage

Within the recent review of the Youth Service, young people confirmed that they want to play more sport at the weekends and during school holidays. There was also strong support in the consultation for the provision of more sport and recreation opportunities for young disabled people.

This investment in the school sport partnerships infrastructure and the activation of the new county PE and school sport plan will help to create an enhanced offer for young people at a local level. The local partnership development managers will provide a key point of contact for CAYA and other organisations working to develop local opportunities for young people of all abilities to become involved in formal and informal sports opportunities as participants, leaders, coaches and volunteers.

Managing the Funds

It is proposed that Derbyshire Sport will manage the allocation of these funds in line with these proposals and work closely with the school sport partnerships to report progress to Derbyshire County Council twice yearly on dates to be agreed.

Financial Considerations

It is proposed that the annual grant of £168k for 2013-14 and 2014-15 be funded from the 2011-12 C.A.Y.A. underspend.

Other Considerations

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered: prevention of crime and disorder, equality of opportunity; and environmental, health, legal, property and transport considerations.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To approve an annual grant of £168,000 per annum for 2 years to Derbyshire Sport, funded from the 2011-12 C.A.Y.A. underspend.
2. To request monitoring reports be produced and submitted twice yearly to show the impact and outcomes from this investment.

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