

SPORT MATTERS IMPLEMENTATION GROUP (PLACES) MEETING

DRAFT MINUTES

The minutes of the 12th meeting of the Places SMIG held on Wednesday 1 February 2017 at the House of Sport.

PRESENT

- Chair: Richard Bullick (Sport Northern Ireland)
- Ciaran Kearney (Northern Ireland Sports Forum)
- Tony Murphy (Department for Communities)

In attendance:

- Willie Devlin (Sport Northern Ireland)

1. APOLOGIES

- 1.1 Apologies were received from Angela Platt (Northern Ireland Sports Forum); Stephen McGeehan (GAA Ulster Council); Chris Webster (Ulster Rugby); Patrick Nelson (IFA) and Caro-Lynne Ferris (Outdoor Recreation Northern Ireland), John Johnston (Department for Social Development); Steven Law (Department of Education); and Linda McAllister (Department of Education).

2. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

- 2.1 The Chair welcomed members to the 12th meeting of the Places SMIG.
- 2.2 The Chair asked Members to highlight areas of particular interest for discussion during the meeting with two areas being identified: (1) Facility Framework, (2) Future Funding Opportunities.

3. MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 3.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were considered and approved by all in attendance.

4. MATTERS ARISING

- 4.1 The Chair confirmed that there were no matters arising from the last meeting.

5. MEMBER UPDATES

- 5.1 The Chair asked Members to provide a verbal update on significant actions that have been undertaken (since the last meeting) by each of the representative organisations which contributed to the implementation of Sport Matters.
- 5.2 Members heard of a range of initiatives and areas of progress, such as:
- a. **Northern Ireland Sports Forum** – CK gave an update on the current work being carried out by the Female Sports Forum in advance of the UEFA U19 and Women's RWC tournaments.
 - b. **Sport Northern Ireland** – WD provided an update on the current and future funding programmes available from Sport NI (i.e. Single, Multisport and Performance Facility Funds) and progress made in relation to the Northern Ireland Facility Framework which is currently draft and awaiting sign-off by Sport NI/DfC in the near future.
 - c. **Department for Communities** – TM provided details on potential joint working/funding with DAERA on rural sports facilities.

6. SPORT MATTERS PROGRESS REPORT 2015-2016

- 6.1 The Chair thanked all Members that took the time to complete and return their organisations progress report covering the period 1 October 2015 to 30 September 2016.
- 6.2 All Members were of the view that the document presents a good picture of the effort that there has been to achieve the high level targets and key steps of the Sports Matters and thanked Sport NI staff for collating information into the one report on behalf of the SMIGs.
- 6.3 Members approved the Progress Report for submission to the SMMG on 15 February 2017.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 Given the recent changes that have taken place (departmental restructuring, reform of local government etc.) the Chair suggested that the time is right to review and amend the Performance SMIG Terms of Reference (ToR). Members agreed and asked for revised the ToR to be presented at the next meeting of Places SMIG for approval.

Action 1: WD to revised ToR for consideration/approval at the next meeting of the Places SMIG.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 8.1 The Chair advised that dates for the next SMIG meetings will be confirmed following the Sport Matters Monitoring Group meeting.