

‘COMMUNITY SPORT IN CARDIFF’ INQUIRY - REPORT

Reason for Report

1. To provide Members with the ‘*Community Sport in Cardiff*’ Inquiry draft report, attached at **Appendix A**, for discussion, amendment, and approval, prior to presentation to the Cabinet for consideration.

Community Sport in Cardiff Inquiry

2. During discussions to inform the Committee’s work programme for the municipal year 2021-22, Members received a request from Councillor Bradbury to undertake an inquiry into community sport in Cardiff. Following initial scoping meetings, Members agreed the following terms of reference:
 - *To explore Sport Wales’s proposed Central South Community Sport and Activity programme to understand:*
 - *Progress to date re development of regional model*
 - *Proposed structure, governance, funding, and operation of regional model*
 - *Interface between community sports and the regional model*
 - *What success will look like.*
 - *To consider the pilot Community Sport and Activity programme in North Wales:*
 - *Understand lessons learnt during the pilot*
 - *Identify lessons relevant to Central South*
 - *To use the information gathered during the inquiry to:*
 - *undertake a SWOT analysis of the proposed Central South Community Sport and Activity programme*

- *identify what Cardiff Council needs to do to prepare.*
 - *To gather stakeholders' views regarding the above, including partners, other local authorities included in Central South and relevant Cabinet Members and Cardiff Council officers.*
 - *To make evidence-based recommendations to Cabinet regarding the Sport Wales Community Sport and Activity programme.*
3. The Committee agreed the following membership for this task group: Councillor Howells and Councillor Gordon. Attached at **Appendix A** is the draft report of the task group, which details key findings and recommendations.
 4. The task group heard evidence from several internal and external witnesses, including relevant Cabinet Members, senior officers, Cardiff Metropolitan University, Sport Cardiff, and Sport Wales.
 5. The task group also invited written contributions from the other local authorities involved in the proposed Central South Sport Regional Partnership.
 6. Desk based research was undertaken into the policy context for community sport in Cardiff and the early adopter Sport North Wales Sport Regional Partnership.
 7. The evidence was used to identify suitable findings from the Inquiry, which are shown at the front of the document under the heading 'Key Findings'. The recommendations are based on the evidence heard throughout the Inquiry.

Way Forward

11. During their meeting, Members may wish to discuss and agree any amendments required to the Task Group report '*Community Sport in Cardiff*', attached at **Appendix A**.

Legal Implications

12. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review, and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters, there are no direct legal implications. However, legal implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any legal implications arising from those recommendations. All decisions taken by or on behalf of the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers on behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Scrutiny Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

Financial Implications

13. The Scrutiny Committee is empowered to enquire, consider, review, and recommend but not to make policy decisions. As the recommendations in this report are to consider and review matters, there are no direct financial implications at this stage in relation to any of the work programme. However, financial implications may arise if and when the matters under review are implemented with or without any modifications. Any report with recommendations for decision that goes to Cabinet/Council will set out any financial implications arising from those recommendations.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee is recommended to consider the '*Community Sport in Cardiff*' task group report, attached at **Appendix A**, and endorse the report, subject to any amendments the Committee wish to make, for submission to the Cabinet.

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