

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE: **Education, Culture and Sport**
DATE: **27th March 2014**
DIRECTOR: **Gayle Gorman**
TITLE OF REPORT: **Sports Grants**
REPORT NUMBER: **ECS/14/017**

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report brings before Committee, ten applications for financial assistance and makes recommendations accordingly.

2. RECOMMENDATION(S)

That the committee:

- (a) considers the applications through **the development grants** and approve the following recommendations:

Applicant	Funding Recommended
Volunteer For Sport Programme	£10,000
Riverbank School Kayak Club	£800.00
Aberdeen Life Saving Club	£2,000
Aberdeen Schools Rowing Association	£10,000
Physical Activity research Project – Torry and Cove	£5,000
AFC/SFA School Football and Mentoring Programme	£10,000
Kingswells Boxing Club	£1,988
Stoneywood Dyce Cricket Club	£4,082
Total Award	£43,870

- b) considers the application through the **significant sporting events grant programme** and approve the following recommendation:

Applicant	Funding Recommended
Cameroon Pre Commonwealth Games Training Camp	£15,000
Total Award	£15,000

c) considers the application through **the talented athlete grants programme** and approve the following recommendation:

Applicant	Sport	Funding Recommended
Ashley Pearson	Triathlon	£700.00
Total Award		£700.00

d) notes that there is an under spend of £37,011.50 from the budget that was allocated from the 2013/14 Common Good fund for the Olympic Games Legacy.

e) to recommend to the Finance, Policy and Resources Committee that a proportion of the Common Good Budget under spend be allocated to support the Games Legacy through ensuring that local communities celebrate Glasgow 2014 at a grassroots level during 2014-15.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The sports grants budget for the 2013/14 is £90,000 in addition to this there is £140,000 allocated this year from the Common Good budget. There is currently £133,418.50 committed within this budget. Assuming that the recommendations contained within this report are agreed, there will be £37,011.50 remaining in this budget. Please see appendix 1 for previous awards of grants funding in the current financial year.

Officers within Education, Culture and Sport redefined the sports grant criteria in June 2013 and capacity has been identified to support community sports clubs and organisations through the application process.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Local sports groups and organisations adopt a variety of methods to attract funding, however some groups would be unable to host an event or develop further without the financial assistance available from the City Council. Groups who do not meet the criteria will be assisted by officers to source alternative solutions.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

Aberdeen City Council's Sports Grants is a funding programme which is open to any voluntary or not-for-profit organisation or club who deliver sport or physical activity within the city.

The grant criteria is aligned to the key objectives of "Fit for the Future" the Sport and Physical Activity Strategy for Aberdeen (2009-2015). Each application is assessed against the criteria, with recommendations developed and put forward to the relevant Committee for a decision.

All applicants are provided with support from officers before and after applications have been considered. This includes the offer of individual support sessions, resulting in detailed feedback on how to improve the quality of their application. For more information about common reasons for resubmission, deferral or rejection please see Appendix 2.

5.1 Club Development Grant Programme

The aim of this grant is to increase the availability of sporting opportunities in the city by assisting existing sports clubs to develop their sports programmes and by encouraging the establishment of new sports groups/clubs/sections.

5.1.1 Volunteer for Sport Programme (VFS)

Volunteer for Sport (VFS) is a sports coaching programme that assists student volunteers through a progressive pathway that develops their confidence and gains them the qualifications that allow them to assist various sports clubs in the communities of Aberdeen to introduce new sporting programmes.

Each volunteer is placed in a progressive sports coaching pathway of their choice and they are mentored and provided with resources in order to develop their skills and qualifications over the duration of their involvement in the three year programme.

In 2013/14 there were 45 volunteers completing the programme. However in 2014/15 the target amount of volunteers is up to 74. Netball, Tennis and Football will be added to the list of existing pathways which includes Athletics, Basketball, Climbing, Hockey, Rowing, Rugby and Strength and Conditioning. The new additions to the programme will provide more physical activity opportunities such as a grassroots rackets programme in conjunction with Tennis Scotland for local children to try out the sport of Tennis. VFS has also developed a partnership with Aberdeen Football Club which will see the VFS volunteers contribute to help the over 50's continue with sport and will assist the street sport programme in tackling anti-social behaviour in the city. Finally the addition of the new pathways will see VFS volunteers coach the university netball team and assist with primary and secondary school teams via the local development officer.

This grant would benefit VFS by funding the entire coach education programme for 74 coaches who in return will commit to just under 1700 hours of voluntary sports coaching in Aberdeen City communities.

The programme coordinator continues to actively promote the programme on a national scale and has already presented at the annual Scottish Student Sport conference (2013). He has also been asked to lead a workshop at the National Scottish Rowing Conference in October 2014 which will provide the opportunity to raise awareness of the programme and the partnership between VFS and Aberdeen City Council.

In 2013 VFS was awarded the Top Volunteer Programme in all Further and higher education in Scotland and by approving this recommendation it will enable the programme to continue to develop and expand and increase the number of qualified coaches we have in the city and the number of physical activity sessions delivered for our children and young people.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£10,000	£10,000

5.1.2 Riverbank School Kayak Club

In September 2013 a group of children from Riverbank primary school were invited along to Seaton Park to take part in a kayaking session led by Adventure Aberdeen, with a guest appearance from Olympic gold medallist Tim Baillie. This was an excellent opportunity for the children and they all thoroughly enjoyed it. Following on from this, Riverbank primary school is looking to set up a new extra-curricular kayak club.

The school will work with Adventure Aberdeen; providing children with the opportunity to get involved in water sports, in their own locality, working with experienced instructors, achieving in a sport they would not normally have the chance to participate in.

The club will teach the children skills such as team building, self-sufficiency, safety and resilience and will allow them to develop outdoor awareness as well as participate in a fun and challenging activity.

Set within one of Aberdeen's regeneration areas this club will heighten the name of Tillydrone in a positive light and will bring the community together to share in fun activities on the River Don, which is right on their doorstep. This could be life shaping for some of the participants and gives the children an opportunity that they may otherwise never have. Riverbank School Kayak Club hopes to also make links with Aberdeen Kayak club so that the children's involvement can continue on past school.

The grant application is for Riverbank Primary school to buy in the services of Adventure Aberdeen for a 12 week extra-curricular block of lessons, which includes instructor fees, kayak hire, hiring/buying other necessary equipment and transport costs associated with travelling to the river from the school and back again. All of this is estimated to cost £1600 therefore Riverbank school are looking for a grant of £800 to support them with this.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended

£800	£800
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5.1.3 Aberdeen Life Saving Club

Aberdeen Amateur Swimming Club is looking to expand the lifesaving arm of their club. They would like to offer a Lifesaving sport section to their current members and to new participants. Lifesaving is a sport which encourages inclusiveness and promotes health and fitness to the participants.

The main outcomes of the new section would be to bring new members into the club to maintain their fitness in a fun and exciting tier two Olympic sport. Participants will learn vital lifesaving skills as part of their development into athletes, but will also improve their health and fitness and make new friends in a positive (competitive) environment.

The club hope to set up a junior arm of lifesaving (8-16 years) and a masters section (16+ years) in order to provide suitable athletes for selection at National level.

The grant would be a huge benefit to the existing club as more members from the affiliated competitive swimming club might find that the skills required for competitive swimming are transferable into lifesaving sport and this may help retain club members. Also the lifesaving sport section can retain swimming club members who no longer wish to compete in traditional swimming disciplines, but enjoy the variety of the more novel events provided by lifesaving sport. As lifesaving sport events are novel, this may be more appealing to the local community as an activity to take part in.

The lifesaving club currently provides awards to those under the age of 16 in the form of the Rookie Lifeguard and Survive and Save; but has the potential to deliver NPLQ, first aid courses and defibrillator training to members of the local community to increase the number of trained by-standers.

The club hope to recruit members from the current lifesaving and swimming club and local schools.

The lifesaving club are looking for support to help them train volunteers, who will then have the suitable training expertise and qualifications to teach lifesaving. The club would be looking to train 6 lifesaving instructors to deliver lifesaving awards and provide skills for lifesaving sport training. The club is also looking for this funding to support with the costs associated with purchasing of equipment for training and competitions.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£2,000	£2,000

5.1.4 Aberdeen Schools Rowing Association

Aberdeen Schools Rowing Association (ASRA) provides a wide range of rowing opportunities for school-aged children and young people throughout

the City. The association's objective is to create opportunities to become involved in rowing. This is achieved by providing a pathway which allows beginners to undertake taster sessions, before progressing to indoor clubs and eventually outdoor club rowing on the River Dee.

ASRA run two main programmes within the city Secondary schools. The indoor (Dry Start) programme provides a minimum 6 week extra-curricular training block within participating schools. The outdoor (Wet Start) Programme follows this up with the opportunity to participate in an eight to ten week training block on the River Dee.

ASRA's participation programs have been developed to enable them to continue the expansion of their participation base numbers. This is a continuous process with members moving on to university and work post their junior years. This development grant would help to support the program and meet their business plan expansion target of 200 members by the end of 2017.

The overall cost of running the Schools rowing projects is approximately £32000. The recommendation is to provide £10,000 of funding towards this project which will be matched by £22,000 from the association. This covers a range of incurred costs including staff salaries, insurance and equipment maintenance. In order to meet this cost, ASRA have successfully received funding from external bodies.

The application requests support to extend and improve the on-going indoor and outdoor programmes. ASRA also aim to use this grant funding alongside their own funds and sportscotland's Direct Club Investment (DCI) funding to appoint a full time Rowing Pathways Coordinator. This person would run the schools participation programme supported by a number of part time paid and voluntary staff. It is anticipated that with the target membership increasing year on year that by the end of the DCI program ASRA will be in a position to self-fund this full time post.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£10,000	£10,000

5.1.5 Physical Activity Research Project – Torry and Cove

A recent review of the Scottish Physical Activity Strategy 'Let's Make Scotland More Active' (Scottish Executive, 2003) has concluded that there has been insufficient action at local levels in Scotland to impact on population physical activity levels (Halliday, Mutrie and Bull 2013). The authors of this review have identified a need for commitment, resources and robust evaluation at local levels to address continued physical activity inequities especially among women, girls, and older adults as well as in areas of low socioeconomic status.

In order to address this need, it is important to identify current physical activity levels as well as any barriers or motivators to physical activity in a community.

The Robert Gordon's University are conducting a study on behalf of the National Health Service and Aberdeen City Council in an aim to establish current physical activity levels in two communities in the South of Aberdeen (Torry and Cove), as well as identifying any barriers and motivators around Physical activity. With the 2014 Commonwealth Games due to be held in Glasgow, the findings from this project will help to inform future local physical activity planning to tie-in with the Games legacy.

The objectives of the project are as follows;

1. To establish current population physical activity levels within Torry and Cove
2. To identify barriers and motivators to physical activity from the evidence base/research literature
3. To explore barriers and motivators to physical activity in the two communities
5. To establish current use of leisure facilities within Torry and Cove
6. To explore the views of individuals living within Torry and Cove regarding current leisure facility provision and future planning.

The total cost of this project is £23,000. The NHS have allocated £18,000 to this project from the Health Improvement Fund leaving a shortfall of £5,000. This allocation would assist with the costs associated to undertake the research to examine attitudes, barriers and motivations to participation in physical activity, comparing and contrasting Torry and Cove. A final report and an executive summary will be produced as part of this study and this is due to be completed in September 2014.

The findings from this study will be extremely beneficial for Aberdeen City Council in helping us to target and plan appropriate interventions and services and this project also helps is to deliver on Fit for the Future the city's sport and physical activity strategy.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£5,000	£5,000

5.1.6 AFC/SFA/ACC Partnership Programme

The Scottish FA (SFA), Aberdeen Football Club in the Community and the City Council are currently working in partnership to develop grassroots football in Aberdeen City. Through recent work the partnership group has identified two fundamental areas of work which need to be addressed in order to improve the pathway of football for our children and young people.

It is proposed that with financial support from the SFA and approval of a sports grant from Aberdeen City Council that Aberdeen Football Club in the community employs an officer to address the following two identified areas:

- *Coach Mentoring Programme;*

In 2013, Aberdeen Football Club in the Community in partnership with the SFA delivered 17 courses to over 400 local grassroots Coaches. Feedback is largely positive, with the main area for development identified as additional support after attending these courses. Based on the current quality and quantity of Football at grassroots level, a Coach Mentoring Programme for Quality Mark Clubs in Aberdeen City has been designed to tackle this identified need.

- *Primary Schools Football Partnership;*

There are currently four Primary Schools Football Leagues within Aberdeen City some of which currently lack governance and direction. In addition some of the leagues do not adhere to the recognized Scottish Football Association National Player Pathway. There are also incorrect registration procedures and there is significant work required in order to ensure that our children and young people get the best possible start in participating in football by ensuring that our coaches and volunteers are appropriately trained in relation to coaching, child protection and first aid as well as ensuring there is a mentoring programme in place. The partners within the city recognize that by working towards a single league structure governed by Aberdeen Football Club, The Scottish FA and Aberdeen City Council that this would be a positive step forward for the city.

The Scottish FA, through re-directed McDonald's funding, is willing to commit to funding of £10,000 per annum for 4 years. Aberdeen Football Club in the Community have also proposed to contribute £10,000 per annum for four years. An application has been received by SFA and AFC to the city council for support through the development grant for a 12 month funding commitment into 2015 where the project can then be reviewed with the aim to extend for future years.

There are many additional income generation opportunities with this additional resource in place. Aberdeen Football Club in the Community will engage with a wider target audience, improve relations with local football clubs, and provide flexibility and resilience within Aberdeen Football Club in the Community staffing.

The plan going forward would be for Primary School teams to register, affiliate and pay fees to AFC, and also to acquire a sponsor for the Primary Schools Football Partnership, providing an additional budget and sustainability for the Programme in the long run.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£10,000	£10,000

5.1.7 Kingswells Boxing Club

Kingswell Amateur Boxing Club started 10 years ago and is based in Kingswells Village Hall. The club seeks to encourage and increase opportunities for new participants to try the sport and develop their fitness.

Those who wish to train further improve their fitness as well as learning some essential life skills such as; self-discipline, control, respect and team work to name a few.

The Kingswells Amateur Boxing Club provide a supportive and friendly environment for boys and girls of all ages to come and try a new activity and they encourage learning which has led to success in local and national championships.

The club is in need of some essential new equipment that plays an important part in maintaining members, recruiting new members and ensuring that the activity is safe for all.

The local community benefit from the club as it discourages a lot of anti-social behaviour and is teaching the young people of the community to develop, discipline, tolerance, resilience and responsibility.

The club is well established in the Kingswells community and would like to maintain its excellent reputation so that it can attract new members and develop them to their full potential. In order to do this new equipment is essential and this grant would help them purchase such equipment

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£3975	£1988

5.1.8 Stoneywood Dyce Cricket Club

Stoneywood Dyce Cricket Club provides the people of Stoneywood, Dyce, Bucksburn, the city of Aberdeen and surrounding areas the opportunity to play cricket. The clubs key objective is to promote cricket as a mass participation sport and make it fun, safe and accessible to all who wish to play – regardless of sex, creed or physical ability.

Stoneywood Dyce cricket club are the home team for 3 out of the 13 existing Scotland squad members. The club recognises that in order to ensure that it continues to produce talented athletes that it needs to develop its pathways and put a performance system in place for the clubs current junior members. This in turn will enable more time to be spent on the development of regional and academy squads.

The club is a progressive club and currently have advanced clubCAP. The grant application received through the development grant fund is to compliment a Direct Club Investment from sportscotland whereby funding will be made available to employ a Club Development Officer. This post will support existing coaches/athletes with their development needs.

The contribution from the sports grant will enable the club to purchase high quality training equipment and technology products which will enable instant feedback to be provided to players through the use of video analysis. It will also enable the club to buy more playing equipment, giving people from the

community the opportunity to try out new activities and not go through the expense of buying all their own equipment.

Having a dedicated programme like this in Aberdeen will increase the number of people participating in the sport. The club is currently part of the Community Sports Hub which is being developed in Bucksburn and the club is keen to share this resources and learning experiences with the other member clubs.

The club also hopes that with this grant they will be able to carry out more marketing and taster sessions in order to strengthen their links with local schools.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£8163	£4082

5.2 Significant Sporting Events Grant

The aim of this grant is to help sporting, community and event organisations deliver significant sporting events within the Aberdeen City Council boundary. The Programme, through the *Event Assistance Grants* and *Event Development Grants* categories will provide funding support for events that are national or international in focus, or that are regionally significant, and are recognised by the relevant governing body of sport.

5.2.1 Cameroon Pre Games Training Camp

The Cameroon Olympic team trained in Aberdeen prior to competing in the London 2012 Olympics. To continue to build on the relationship with this country, and to involve Aberdeen and the surrounding area in this year's Commonwealth games, Cameroon has been invited back to Aberdeen for their training camp. This camp is to happen in July for 10 days before the team makes its way down to the athlete's village in Glasgow. The Cameroon team will be made up of approximately 60 athletes, 10 coaches, 6 support staff and 4 officials.

There will be a number of opportunities for the public to engage with the team through media events, visits to schools/clubs/summer camps, public access to watch athletes train, exhibition events that are accessible to the public, and a comprehensive legacy program that is currently being developed in conjunction with a range of organisations across the city.

The pre games training camp is set to inspire people from the city to take part in Commonwealth sports and to strive for achievement and excellence. It is anticipated that the uptake of sports and exercise will have a beneficial effect on the health of the citizens of Aberdeen, as well as improving membership within existing sports clubs across the city, making them more sustainable. Coaches will be inspired and educated to help develop the next generation of athletes from Aberdeen, with the aim of these athletes competing at national or international level.

All partners who were involved in the 2012 training camp have been made aware of potential dates, sports and requirements. These partners include; Aberdeen Sports Village, RGU:Sport and The University of Aberdeen.

The funding contribution through the significant sport events grant stream would be used to cover a range of the running costs of the Pre Games Training Camp including accommodation, catering, transport and other team provisions.

Once the dates and program are finalised, press releases will be issued regarding the arrival of the team, any significant events taking place during the camp, any legacy events linked in with the teams visit and progress made by the team at the Games. Additionally, any legacy/community activities will be advertised to as many people as possible to get everyone involved with the Commonwealth Games and with what is happening in Aberdeen as a result of this. It is anticipated that there will be an element of media coverage of the Pre-Games Training Camp (as there was in 2012). However, the nature and details of this will not become apparent until details of the athletes, sports and exhibition events are confirmed.

The funding request to support this event was £30,000 however officers are recommending that committee approve a contribution of £15,000 as this reflects the applicable costs that the local authority would wish to support.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£30,000	£15,000

5.3 Talented Athlete Grants

The aim of the scheme is to recognise individual talented sports performers in Aberdeen and encourage them to develop to their full potential by providing funding to assist with the costs associated with competing at a high level.

5.3.1 Ashley Pearson (Triathlon)

Ashley is a focused and committed triathlete who follows a structured training plan geared towards her specific goals. She has been competing as a triathlete since 1999 and has won a variety of different titles. Ashley took time out of competing from 2006-2011 due to family commitments however returning to competition in 2012 saw her win the Deeside Duathlon and break the course record and in 2013 came first in the Monikie winter duathlon series, first in the Deeside Duathlon and first in the L'etape Caledonia cycle sportive.

This year Ashley enters the 'Veteran' age category and she has set a number of goals for upcoming competitions. She aims to win the Scottish Veterans Championships at all standard distances in triathlon and duathlon. Her plan then is to compete at the equivalent British Championships in 2015 and represent Great Britain in Masters Competition in world and European

championships.

Ashley is looking for financial support to help her cover costs associated with travel, costs of lodging and equipment.

Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
£2000	£700

5.3.4 Allocation of Talented Athlete Grant funding

A panel was developed in order to assess the application forms which were received. This panel consisted of a Scottish Institute of Sport Manager, a Performance Lifestyle Advisor and two officers from the City Council. In addition all applicants had to provide a supporting statement from the governing body for their specific sport. The applications were then reviewed against the set criteria and consideration was given to the level at which the athlete was performing and the associated costs to their training and competition.

A high proportion of the athletes applied for the full amount of £2,000 however the panel felt that given that we are part way through the financial year and season that in certain instances following review of the costs submitted that the athletes did not require this full amount in order to develop to their full potential.

5.4 Commonwealth 2014 – Community Games Fund

The Aberdeen City Community Games fund criteria was agreed by the Culture and Sport Sub Committee on the 1st July 2013 and was developed to help local communities in Aberdeen to celebrate Glasgow 2014 at a grassroots level. To qualify organisations and groups must meet the following criteria:

- The event project or activity must take place between 23rd July and 3rd August 2014
- The event must have a sport and physical activity aspect to it
- The event must take place with the Aberdeen City Council boundary and be for the benefit of a community
- Organisations must provide a brief report and receipt of all expenditure and submit them to the council within one month of the event taking place
- The funding must be for the benefit of the community
- Event organisers are responsible for ensuring that they comply with all regulations such as entertainment licences and health and safety.
- The maximum that can be awarded per project is £1,000

6. IMPACT

This report relates to 'Aberdeen – the Smarter City':

- We will promote and improve opportunities for physical activity and sport to enable Aberdeen's citizens to lead more active, healthier lives.

The report relates to the Arts, Heritage and Sport strand of the Community Plan, specifically in relation to the Sports, Leisure and Recreation vision of developing Aberdeen as an "Active City".

The report relates closely to the objectives of "Fit for the Future, the sport and physical activity strategy for Aberdeen City (2009-2015)". These objectives are:

- Promote and increase opportunities for participation in sport and physical activity for everyone in Aberdeen.
- Provide a comprehensive and high quality range of sports facilities in Aberdeen.
- Maximise social, educational, health and economic benefits of sport and physical activity in Aberdeen.
- Develop and sustain pathways which nurture local, regional and national sporting people to reach their potential.
 - Raise the profile of sport in Aberdeen.

7. MANAGEMENT OF RISK

Local sports groups and organisations adopt a variety of methods to attract funding, however some groups would be unable to host an event or develop further without the financial assistance available from the City Council.

All successful applicants are expected to agree to terms and conditions which mitigate any risk of exposure to the Council and that all supported activity meets Council Policies, processes and the Following the Public Pound guidelines.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

The application forms and business plan will be available in the members lounge prior to the Education, Culture and Sport committee.

9. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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Appendix 1

Summary Table of Financial Assistance Sports Awards 2013/14

Organisation	Funding Awarded	Committee Approval
Development Grants		
Grampian Institute of Sport	£8,000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/05/13
Games for Scotland (match funding for council application to Event Scotland)	£5,000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/05/13
Aberdeen Synchronized Ice Skating Club	£5,000	Culture and Sport Sub Committee 01/07/13
Auchmill Golf Club	£5,000	Culture and Sport Sub Committee 01/07/13
Bryon Amateur Boxing Club and Fitness Club	£2,000	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Cove Boys Football Club	£2,000	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Aberdeen Amateur Athletics Club	£4,000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Dyce Boys Football Club	£1,214	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Granite City Wanderers Hockey Club	£1,131	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Northfield Academy	£1,000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Scottish Gymnastics	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
School of Football – St Machar Academy	£978	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Aberdeen Rough Necks American Football Club	£2,000	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Games for Scotland – a day to	£5,000	Culture & Sport Sub

celebrate		Committee 19/02/14
Volunteer for Sport	£10,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Riverbank School Kayak Club	£800	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Aberdeen Life Saving Club	£2,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Aberdeen Schools Rowing Association	£10,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Physical Activity Research Project	£5,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
AFC/SFA School Football and Coach Mentoring Programme	£10,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Kingswells Boxing Club	£1988	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Stoneywood Dyce Cricket Club	£4082	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Significant Sports Events Grants		
Commonwealth Water Polo Championship 2014 Organising Company Ltd	£30,000	Education, Culture & Sport 12/09/13
The Northern Trophy Day – Dancesport Scotland	£850	Education, Culture & Sport 12/09/13
Scotland v England Cricket International – Cricket Scotland	£30,000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Pre Games Training Camp - Cameroon	£15,000	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Coach and Volunteer Workforce Development Grant		
Colin Sim – Aberdeen Wheelers Cycling Club	£150	Education, Culture & Sport 12/09/13
David Fraser – Table Tennis	£80	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
David Webster - Trampolining	£130	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14

Ashley Pearson - Cycling	£147.50	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Talented Athletes Grants		
Findlay Bremner (Freestyle Snowboarding)	£2,000	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Iona Riley (Rowing)	£1,800	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Lewis McCue (Rowing)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Gary Wilson (Rowing)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Yifel Fang (Table Tennis)	£1,156	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Joe Yeoman (Swimming)	£700	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Ross Soutar (Gymnastics)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Angus Rennie (Rugby)	£700	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Zoey Clark (Athletics)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Rebecca Bees (Rhythmic Gymnastics)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Richard Hollins (Squash)	£1,500	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Mark Speed (Waterpolo)	£700	Education, Culture & Sport 21/11/13
Andrew McGovern (Swimming)	£850	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Katie Knowles (Modern Pentathlon)	£1000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Emily Merry (Hockey)	£200	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Christine Cahu (Hockey)	£300	Education, Culture & Sport

		30/01/14
Sofia Gambro (Hockey)	£200	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Millie Skidmore (Hockey)	£200	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Siobhan Cowie (Hockey)	£875	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Rebecca Kelsey (Curling)	£1500	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Suleman Butt (Swimming)	£2000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Grant Donald (Skiing)	£2000	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Rebecka Tippling (Archery)	£850	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Julie Erskine (Cycling)	£200	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Shaun Barnes (Football)	£70	Education, Culture & Sport 30/01/14
Pamela Gillespie – (Touch Rugby)	£247	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Lewis Thomson – (Weightlifting)	£690	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Jamie Steel – (Rowing)	£1,000	Culture & Sport Sub Committee 19/02/14
Ashley Pearson (Triathlon)	£700	Education, Culture and Sport 27/03/14 (pending)
Total Grant Funding Awarded if recommendations approved	£192,988.50	
Grant Funding Remaining	£37,011.50	

Appendix 2

Sports Grants – Please find below frequent reasons for resubmission, deferral or rejection of funding applications

- Application forms not fully completed or illegible
- The benefits of the initiative do not clearly show the primary benefit is to residents of the City, but to a wider demographic
- Projects do not have clear outputs or outcomes
- Match funding is either not confirmed (in which case an application is deferred) or indicated.
- There is no evidence of need ascertained, of wider benefit, and/or there is evidence of duplication of services already supported by Aberdeen City Council
- The organisation or Club has outstanding debt with Aberdeen City Council
- The club cannot meet FPPP (Following the Public Pound) guidance and/or has not submitted reports against previous grant allocations
- The group or club is not constituted as required by the grants criteria
- The group or club does not have a bank account with two authorised signatories
- Applications for transport represent a significant proportion of the grant with no evidence of participants subsidising travel
- Requests to visit or train at facilities out with the City may be rejected if similar facilities are available locally
- Projects or requests for staffing do not evidence any forward planning recognising future stability
- Standards of coaching or volunteering do not meet acceptable standards
- There are inadequate or no monitoring and evaluation plans

Feedback and additional support

Council Officers from a variety of backgrounds and knowledge work together to assess the wider value to the sports sector of each application.

Where time permits, Aberdeen City Council staff will contact organisations on receipt of their applications to seek clarification or further information. This is not always possible when applications are received very close to the deadline for Committee reports. Organisations are offered a telephone call or a face to face meeting to help improve their applications.

Where applications are recommended for deferral or rejection, organisations are contacted and offered verbal or written feedback to support a resubmission.

In addition, Officers provide advice and support to sports organisations with application to Awards for All, and other small sports grants funding streams.