## Sports Grants Criteria

The criteria for the Sports Grants can be defined as follows:

## **Objective 1**

Promote and increase opportunities for participation in sport and physical activity for everyone in Aberdeen

Applications for funding will be considered whereby activities or events contribute to the following:

- Emerging forms of participation
- Initiatives to tackle anti-social behaviour
- > Increasing participation in the over 50's age group
- > The development of local community sports clubs

Applications for funding will also be considered in support of

Removing barriers to participation with regards to access and travel within the city.

## **Objective 2**

Provide a comprehensive and high quality range of sports facilities in Aberdeen City Council

Applications for funding will be considered to support small scale initiatives up to £500

# **Objective 3**

Maximise social, educational, health and economic benefits of sport and physical activity in Aberdeen City Council

Applications for funding will be considered whereby activities and/or programmes

- Support the Sports Leadership Award Scheme
- Address the needs of community groups, including disadvantaged and hard to reach groups
- Provide diversionary activities which address specific social issues within the community.

# **Objective 4**

Develop and Sustain pathways which nurture local, regional and national sporting people to reach their potential

Applications for funding will be considered in support of:

- > Annual funding for Grampian Coaching
- > Annual Funding for Grampian Institute of Sport
- Regional Partnerships with National Governing Bodies
- Developing grass roots sports development

## **Objective 5**

Raise the Profile of Sport in Aberdeen City Council

Applications for funding will be considered in support of:

- Hosting an event in Aberdeen City
- > Developing initiatives linked to sporting events held in Aberdeen City
- Sporting Ambassador Programme

### **Application Context**

#### **Financial Considerations**

In line with related grant criteria, a maximum contribution of 50% towards identified costs will be made from this Scheme

The extent to which efforts have been made to maximise additional sponsorship and/or involve other appropriate agencies in gathering financial support will be considered in all applications as will the extent to which the financial request is a realistic reflection of the overall proposals of an application.

It should be noted that there will be the award of only one grant per organisation per year.

Consideration of the level of existing financial support from Aberdeen City Council for an organisation or activity will also be taken into account when assessing applications.

### **Disbursement of Grants**

In line with the Council's Code of Practice – "Following the Public Pound", Committee grant recommendations will be actioned by the issuing of an offer letter, monitoring the use of financial assistance, receiving reports from funded organisations/individuals and the payment of a grant

Where felt necessary, awarded grants may be disbursed over a series of instalments to further meet the recommendations of the above Code of Practice and allow scrutiny of the impact that grant support is having against the Objectives identified.