

The Knowledge

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National Governing Bodies



**Increasing
participation**

Background

There are two main objectives in our work to support National Governing Bodies (NGB's) in the East Midlands:

- To encourage NGBs to develop sub regional plans for their sports
- To encourage greater engagement between the NGBs and the Delivery System, in particular County Sport Partnerships (CSP's), Sport England, sports coach uk (SCUK) and English Federation for Disability Sport (EFDS).

By doing so we aim to:

- Achieve an increase in capacity for NGB's to deliver for their sport by identifying the support that CSP's and other partners can offer in delivery of their plans.
- Avoid duplication of effort and the gaps in delivery that currently exist.
- Ensure that NGB's contribute effectively towards the outcomes of regional and county plans for sport
- Position NGB's to take advantage of opportunities such as Building Schools for the Future, workforce development and Community Sports Networks.

What is happening now?

This section is split into People and Tools/Interventions

People

The project team for the delivery of the NGB work in the region comprises

- Sport England - Wendy Campbell (project lead)
- Regional NGB's Development Officer (generic development support to NGBs)
- Regional Talent Manager (specific technical support to NGBs).

Regional National Governing Bodies Development Officer (Julian Pagliaro)

- Maximise the opportunities for NGB's to contribute towards the regions vision for sport
- Encourage joint working between NGBs and the delivery system
- Encourage greater partnership working between individual sports
- Drive the ongoing development of the Regional NGB Officer Forum

Regional Talent Manager (Cathy Partridge)

- Ensure the effective delivery of player pathways in the region (Club and Coach delivery)
- Support the delivery of performance sport in the region by contributing to the development of a world class environment for sport and supporting athletes to develop to their full potential. This element will link to the East Midlands London 2012 legacy planning.

CSP NGB Lead Officers

- Each CSP has a lead officer for NGB working locally. The development officers have focused a large part of effort on encouraging joint working between the five CSP's in the region in relation to NGB support and sports specific delivery.
- A group has been formed that includes CSP NGB lead officers, the regional NGB development officer, the regional talent manager and Sport England. This group has sought to identify areas of work that are common to CSP's and NGB's.

- 11 areas of work have been identified that will be a focus on delivery for the future

16+ Participation	Under 16 Participation	Equality/Disability
Workforce Development	Coaching	Talent Identification
Talent Development	Competition	Community
Facilities	Club Development	

Tools/interventions

Club and Coach Project

- This is a national project being delivered in the region and supported through Community Investment Fund. We have supported a total of 21 NGB's to develop projects that will support the delivery of their player pathways.
- Ultimately, this investment will deliver a total of 84 full time coaches, 241 quality club environments (Clubmark accreditation) and 21 sports with local county plans that are supported by CSPs. 40,000 young people will receive coaching as a result of the project.
- Delivery of this work has yet to start. The award conditions stated that a sport must develop county plans before we release funding for them to deliver.
- At present, the focus of the CSPs, the regional talent manager and Sport England is to get each NGB to a point where they have plans in place and are ready to deliver. The first sports are being signed off now and it is our target to have all 21 delivering by 1 April 2008.

Regional NGB Forum

- This forum exists to support national governing body delivery in the East Midlands. Officers who represent NGBs are invited to become involved.
- The Forum encourages joint work and support across its membership. It also provides a focus for partner organisations to engage with sport in the region.

Communications

- A project has been developed by Sport England to develop a web site for East Midlands NGB working.
- The site has been designed to support induction of new officers to the region, to aid the sharing of practice and priorities between NGBs and CSPs, to act as a central point for administration of all NGB meetings in the region and to provide NGBs with up to date information on work areas that impact on their delivery.

Evaluation

- Sport England is currently seeking to audit and review engagement to date between the Delivery System (in particular CSP's, Sport England, SCUUK and EFDS) and NGB's in the region.
- This work will be carried out with a view to ensuring that the region is in the best possible position to deliver this work in the future with particular reference to NGB funding in 2009-13. The main outcomes of this work are:
 - Assess the effectiveness to date of CSP planning and engagement with NGB's and vice versa
 - Identify examples of good practice
 - Audit the current coverage of NGB plans in the region
 - Identify ways to improve NGB/CSP engagement
 - Evaluate the impact to date of the regional NGB and talent manager posts

Future developments

- NGBs are currently funded by Sport England through the Whole Sport Planning route. This will end on 31 March 2009.
- Sport England is currently working nationally to look at the best way to invest in NGBs beyond this date. We expect an announcement to be made in early December confirming how this will be carried out.
- Whilst details concerning the exact nature of this work are currently under development there are two key factors that will influence the final outcome;
 - The final outcome of the Comprehensive Spending Review and the Public Service Agreement targets
 - The need for CSP/NGB/Sport England engagement to ensure the development of effective local plans
- The engagement process that has been put in place for delivering club and coach and its subsequent evaluation will support the region to be in the best possible position for when the 09 – 13 project is confirmed.

Further information

Can be found on the NGB Forum web site at:

http://www.sportengland.org/eastmidlands_index/eastmidlands_in_your_region/iyr_east_midlands-ngb.htm