

# Meeting Minutes



## Regional Sports Board Meeting

Meeting number	7	Date	17 February 2005
Venue	Lancashire County Cricket Club	Time	13:00
Chair	Andy Worthington		
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### Meeting Items

#### Present

##### Board Members

Andy Worthington, Ann Hoskins, Pam Jervis, Colin Chaytors, Phil Clarke, John Townsend, Anil Ruia, Chris Carr, Carole Hassan

##### Sport England Officers

Stewart Kellett, Stuart Glover, Julie Lane, Dave Hewson, Karen Keohane, Clive Heaphy, John Bell

#### Apologies for Absence

David Newton, John Ashton, Carol Gustafson

#### Action

#### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

24<sup>th</sup> September – minutes approved as true record.

1<sup>st</sup> December – minutes approved as true record.

#### 2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Anil Ruia declared an interest in paper 7.8 in terms of him being a member on the board at Granada.

#### 3. MAIN BOARD UPDATE

The chair gave verbal update in relation to items and decisions at the National Board Meeting which took place on 27 & 28<sup>th</sup> January 2005. In particular, he drew attention to the following items:

- Campaigning becoming a greater priority.
- Active Workplaces

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- Performance Management
- The role of County Sports Partnerships in delivery
- The role of Local Authorities in delivery

Members noted the update.

#### 4. REGIONAL OVERVIEW AND PERFORMANCE

The board received a paper and a presentation giving an overview of the years work, highlighting areas for improvement and the emerging priorities for 2005/06.

Feedback from members identified the need to report quarterly progress against the regional plan, alignment of KPI's and a structure of reporting that related to the five themes, the generic work that underpins delivery and a better quantification of how it affects participation.

#### RECOMMENDATION

Members approved the report and provided feedback on the commentary and emerging properities.

#### PRESENTATION FROM CLIVE HEAPHY (DIRECTOR OF FINANCE)

The Director of Finance gave an overview of the financial position for Sport England. This covered income and expenditure forecasts to the end of 2009 and highlighted issues which the organisation are facing.

In response to questions from board members, the Director of Finance confirmed that any decommitted grant aid would be recycled back to regions on the basis of population and deprivation. Key issues identified included the rationale for allocating national and regional resources, the overall forecast for declining resources, how we manage that in the light of intended growth and the gradual improvement in financial controls and grant management.

A member expressed concern about VAT and lottery grants and Clive Heaphy agreed to feed back direct to the member.

The Chair thanked the Director of Finance for a very information presentation.

#### 5. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT ROUND 3 APPLICATIONS

The Board considered 8 applications to the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of CIF applications.

The following decisions were made:-

URN	ORGANISATION	AWARD	CONDITIONS/ISSUES
99013283 (OLD URN)	Buersil Park Bowling club	£50,000	Board agreed any additional funding requirements should be delegated to the RD for decision.
20046106	Clay Lane Sports Club	£216,660	Clarity on level of Social inclusion Strengthen the links

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			with the Sports College
20045840	Tameside MBC	£110,000	No new ones raised.
20050117	David Taylor Partnerships	£25,000	Confirmation of disability programmes
20045115	Chipping & District Memorial Hall	£25,000	No new ones raised.
20045574	Barrow Community Regeneration Company Ltd	£100,000	No new ones raised.
20044962	Birkenhead Park Rugby Union Football Club	£264,938	Request to explore accreditation to Inclusive fitness initiative.
20050251	Countryside Agency	£20,000	Request to explore commercial potential of the programme and the board delegated any additional requests for funding to the RD for decision

The board confirmed the proposals to re-commit and de-commit the projects, as identified in appendix 2.

The board noted the delegated decision to award £19,598 to URN 99009323 (new number 20042175) – Rochdale Judo Club.

The board agreed proposals to administer an 8 week funding cycle for the Community Investment Fund. It was agreed to appoint a Finance and Performance Sub-group and a Campaigning Sub group.

The membership of these groups was agreed as follows:-

- **Sub Group Finance & Performance .**
- Carole Hassan to chair. Other members to include
  - John Townsend
  - Colin Chaytors
  - Ann Hoskins
  - Pam Jervis
  - John Bell
- **Sub group Campaigning**
- Phil Clarke to Chair. Other members to include
  - Anil Ruia
  - John Townsend
  - Chris Carr
  - David Newton (to be confirmed)

## 6. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND: REVISION OF INVESTMENT CRITERIA

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The Board had a vigorous debate about the proposed revision and probed the advantages and disadvantages of the changes. The board agreed to the revised Investment criteria and scoring system with the following amendments.

- Education & Skills section to include the learning element
- Stronger & Safer section to show engage (rather than re-engage) & include personal development.

## **7. INCREASING PARTICIPATION THROUGH ACTIVE WORKPLACES: A PILOT FOR THE NORTH WEST**

Members raised a number of issue which could be considered by the Campaigning group including the ability for larger companies to raise more match funding, getting legal advice on contracts (directed through the Support Centre), officer capacity to manage large number of applications, making more of the Granada/media partnership and potential to attract other resources to the campaign on Active Workplaces.

### **RECOMMENDATION.**

The board agreed the proposals for the Active Workplaces funding pilot outlined in the report.

## **8. A DELEGATED PROCESS TO MANAGE VARIATIONS TO ACTIVE ENGLAND GRANT AWARDS**

The board agreed to the requirement for delegated decision making in respect of Active England projects and the processes to support the delivery of the portfolio with the context of a National Board.

## **9. DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING & MEETING DATES FOR 2005/06**

The Board agreed dates as follows:-

- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2005 – 10.30 – Venues to be confirmed
- 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> September (includes away day) timing to be confirmed
- 30<sup>th</sup> November 2005 – 12.30 to 16.00
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2006 – 12.30 to 16.00