

ANGUS COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENTAL & LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE – 29 MAY 2003
EDUCATION COMMITTEE – 29 MAY 2003

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES
& THE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION

SPORT 21 2003-2007

ABSTRACT

This report is to advise members that Sport 21, "The National Strategy for Sport" has now been published.

1. RECOMMENDATION(S)

It is recommended that committee agree to adopt Sport 21 2003-2007, The National Strategy for Sport and remit to the Director of Leisure Services in partnership to seek to achieve the targets set by 2007.

2. BACKGROUND AND PROPOSALS

Members will recall report no. 264/03 when the Council's response to the draft document was agreed.

Subsequent to this, amendments were made to the original draft document with the publication of the Sport 21 2003-2007, The National Strategy for Sport being launched in Edinburgh on 25 March 2003.

The First Minister, Jack McConnell MSP in his forward address states that "*Sport 21: Shaping Scotland's Future demonstrates clearly and convincingly how sport fits into and contributes towards the Scottish Executive's wider objectives. It will guide the policy and notions of the Scottish Executive over the next four years as the original Sport 21 has done over the last four. We look forward to working with other key stakeholders in delivering the strategy.*"

Local authorities are seen as key stakeholders.

Contained within Sport 21 is the Key Challenge for 2020. By 2020, "*to have 60% of Scots taking part in sport at least once a week.*"

This will require a focus of resources and energies and 11 Key Targets have been identified to achieve this long-term vision. These are:-

- Target 1 80% of primary schoolchildren will be physically active
- Target 2 We will have made progress towards all schoolchildren taking part in at least two hours of high quality physical education classes a week
- Target 3 85% of those aged 13-17 will take part in sport, in addition to the school curriculum, more than once a week
- Target 4 49% of those aged 14 plus in Social Inclusion Partnership areas will take part in sport at least once a week
- Target 5 55% of those aged 17-24 will take part in sport more than twice a week
- Target 6 43% of those aged 45-64 will take part in sport at least once a week

- Target 7 Over 250 Scots will have been medallists on the world stage
- Target 8 Scotland will have over 500 sports halls available to the public so that 70% of Scots have access to a hall within 20 minutes walk
- Target 9 Over one million Scots will play sport in membership of clubs
- Target 10 Scotland will sustain 150,000 volunteers who are contributing to the development and delivery of Scottish sport
- Target 11 Every local authority area's community planning process will have contributed to the targets of Sport 21 2003-2007

The delivery of these targets can only be achieved through collaborative and concerted action from those identified as having a contribution to make.

Local authorities have been identified to be the Lead Facility Partner in targets 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 11 and have a role to play in the other four targets. Their community planning function has a particular role in targets 4 and 11; their sport trusts in targets 9 and 10; and their schools in targets 1 and 8.

A copy of the full document is available in the Members Lounge.

The National Strategy for Sport compliments the Physical Activity Strategy for Scotland. Both of these strategies will contribute to the Health Improvement agenda through the Community Planning process.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising from the content of this report.

4. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

There are no Human Rights implications arising from the content of this report.

5. CONSULTATION

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance and the Director of Law and Administration have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information) , were relied on to any material extent in preparing this report.