

<b>Committee:</b>	Cabinet	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Title:</b>	Grant Allocation Policy (Sports Provision - Major Projects)	Tuesday, 9 February 2021
<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Councillor Armstrong, Portfolio Holder for Sports, Leisure, Education and the Arts	
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## Summary

1. Cabinet is asked to consider the Grant Allocation Policy (Sports Provision - Major Projects) for approval and adoption.
2. The Policy addresses the governance arrangements, procedures and monitoring process to be followed when awarding a grant and during the subsequent implementation of the project that it enables.

## Recommendations

3. That the Grant Allocation Policy (Sports Provision - Major Projects) be approved and adopted.

## Financial Implications

4. Budget provision of £150,000 for current year which can be allocated to support enhanced sport facility provision. . Future years grant funding will be subject to a growth bid.

## Background Papers

5. The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection from the author of the report:
  - none

## Impact

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Communication/Consultation	N/A
Community Safety	N/A
Equalities	EqIA carried out

Health and Safety	N/A
Human Rights/Legal Implications	The Council has the powers to award grants to organisations using its general power of competence in section 1 of the Localism Act 2011
Sustainability	N/A
Ward-specific impacts	N/A
Workforce/Workplace	Communities Team

## Situation

7. The Grant Allocation Policy (Sports Provision - Major Projects) sets out the governance arrangements, procedures and monitoring process to be followed when awarding a Community Grant.
8. This Policy deals with the allocation of grants for major sports projects and will ensure that grants are awarded to defined organisations following an application process and against a set criteria.
9. Grants fall outside the public procurement regime. In awarding a grant the Council cannot exhibit the same amount of control over the organisation as is commensurate with a contract. Essentially, the terms of the grant should set out what the purpose of the grant is for. Provisions for claw back of funding should only be implemented in the case of the grant funding being used for other than the intended purposes or otherwise improperly.
10. The aim of the Policy is to support organisations with large scale projects, that will improve the quality of life for local communities.
11. Cabinet is invited to approve and adopt the Grant Allocation Policy (Sports Provision - Major Projects)

## Risk Analysis

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Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
Allocation of grants to projects does not secure their implementation	1 – grants only awarded to viable projects	3 – poor use of public money	Policy and procedures in place to ensure checks are made before grant funding is awarded
UDC support does not achieve	1 – checks into other	3 – poor use of public	Policy and procedures in place to ensure

<p> additionality and  is used to  substitute  external funding  that is also  available </p>	<p> funding  sources will be  made before  grant funding  awarded </p>	<p> money </p>	<p> checks are made  before grant funding is  awarded </p>
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1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project