

South East Development Forum
Caledonia House
Friday 24th August 2018
14:00 – 16:00

Present

Alban Dickson (AD)
Douglas Jardine (DJ)
Elaine Murdoch (EM)
Georgia Moran (GM)
Jane Benson (JB)
Michael Webster (MW)
Nicola Scott (NS)
Paul Duffy (PD)
Ryan Mahoney (RM)
Shannon Young (SY)

Apologies

Caitlin Ormiston (CO)
James Bamkin (JB)
Mel Curle (MC)
Paula Cuccurullo (PC)
Rebecca Wilson (RW)

South East Forum Minutes

Purpose of Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Networking and best practice sharing• Project collaboration with measurable outcomes
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SSS Update	Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eilidh Paterson has joined the SSS team as Tayside, Fife & Grampian Regional Development Coordinator.
	LGBT Inclusion <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SSS LGBT Steering Group agreed that it would be worthwhile to produce a simple one pager for institutions detailing how they can continue to engage in Rainbow Laces campaign and training without the same funding commitment from SSS as 2017/18. Please find one-pager distributed alongside meeting minutes.• SSS will still be delivering the campaign and working with trainers (trained last year) to facilitate sessions.• LGBT inclusion training will be delivered in October Regional Forum.
	SSS Governance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Change in SSS Committee structure agreed at 2018 AGM. Regional Chairs now sit on the Development Committee.

sportscotland Consultation

- sportscotland are consulting on their next corporate plan. To input your views on their strategic direction and to fly the flag for student sport, complete [this survey](#) by Friday 31st August.
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Institution Updates

MW highlighted the value of submitting an update in advance of the meeting. A short follow-up discussion was held on key topics raised in the updates.

The group split up for discussions relating to the college sector and university sector.

The College Group (DJ, RM, SY) discussed the following topics:

- Building student sport structures
- How to challenge colleges to push student sport higher up the agenda
- How can the region collaborate to tackle these issues?

Points raised during the discussion are as follows:

**College & University
Breakout**

- Building structures:
 - Formal structure behind organisation of existing fixtures is non-existent.
 - College Sport Award prevents collapse of activity
 - Improves relationships between departments.
 - ‘The right people’ at the top make the difference, but influencing people in the middle can be the challenge.
 - Influencing
 - Communication links between departments need strengthened.
 - Having an action plan to develop college sport is essential.
 - Implementing a working group to lead this action plan is also essential.
 - Working together
 - Should SSS utilise NUS events to engage college sector?
 - Colleges to commit to sharing progress through CSA.
 - SSS to create College Network platform.
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- Committed colleges to support & advocate to emerging colleges.

The University group (AD, GM, JB, PD) discussed the following topics:

- Inclusivity in sport. How are you looking to increase participation for specific demographics and make sport more inclusive?
- Open brainstorm around this group and supporting one another – how can we support each other?

Points raised during the discussion are as follows:

- Inclusivity in sport
 - Discussion focussed around mass participation events, rather than around a specific demographic.
 - Ideas discussed were around; ‘Learn to... events’; aligning campaigns across the region, i.e. hosting World Cup events during the same week.
- Brainstorm
 - When sharing institutional updates – actually take the time to follow-up post forum
 - Share best practice, e.g. marketing & promo.
 - Explore joint campaigns / events / themed weeks – collective approach to work.

Regional Ladders

- Developments in 2018/19: more promotion of activity from SSS' end, with winners of each ladder receiving a gift of equipment to support increased activity as a result of the ladder at end of year.
 - Potential 18/19 Ladder sports (as indicated by discussions):
 - Women's 7 aside football
 - Archery
 - Hockey
 - Badminton
 - Basketball
 - Netball
 - Squash
 - Table tennis
 - Touch rugby
 - Futsal
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- Institutions to go back to clubs/students taking part in the above sports and identify if there is a demand for additional recreational activity.
- Please go back to EM detailing the sports your institution is interested in by **Friday 7th September**.
- Ladders and entry process will be announced after this date.

Actions	Owner
Complete sportscotland consultation survey by Friday 31 st August.	ALL
Commit to following-up on discussions and best practice sharing post Regional Forum.	ALL
Create a national College Network event.	EM
From the above list, identify in which sports your institution has demand for additional recreation activity. E-mail EM by 7 th September.	ALL