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SUBJECT:	ATHLETICS AND NETBALL COMMUNITY PROGRAMMES	REF SB
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: HCS07

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 To approve the Councils involvement in the Athletics and Netball Community Programmes.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To inform Members of the proposed Athletics Development Officer and Netball Community Programmes and gain their approval for the Council's involvement.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The Active People results published late in 2006 illustrated that within Derbyshire only 20.9% of the over 16 population are regularly involved in moderate intensity sport for at least 3 times of 30 minutes a week. Over 50% of the adult population have no involvement in physical activity. The proposals are part of a co-ordinated approach by the South Derbyshire Sport Community Sports Network to raise these levels of participation.
- 3.2 Proposals have been developed between South Derbyshire District Council, South Derbyshire School Sport Partnership, Derbyshire Sport, England Netball, Derbyshire Netball, Derby Athletics Club and England Athletics to appoint for 8 hours a week, a Netball Community Sport Coach and for 16 hours a week, an Athletics Development Officer to develop the two sports across the South Derbyshire district.

Netball Community Sports Coach

- 3.3 The Community Sport Coach Scheme is a Government funded programme, distributed via the Department of Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS).

3.4 The purpose of the project is to increase and improve the quality and quantity of netball activities delivered in schools both in curricular and out of school hours, to develop new satellite clubs where appropriate and link activities to local Netball Clubs and to support and mentor others interested in coaching including teachers, leaders and volunteers.

3.5 Targets within this programme include:

- Target number of young people to benefit from the coach = 1,500
- Total number of coaching hours to be delivered by the coach = 300
- Total number of leaders/volunteers supported by the coach = 20
- Total number of new satellite clubs started and sustained = 2

3.6 The role of the officer will include: working within Schools during curricular time to enhance the provision of netball, to work alongside teachers/teaching assistants to increase their confidence and skills, enabling the on-going delivery of netball within schools, develop satellite clubs across the district, providing increased opportunity for participation and competition and to coach in local Netball Clubs to enhance the quality of coaching and provide the opportunity for more young people to attend.

3.7 In terms of the district, the officer will also be working with other local partners including the existing netball clubs to develop exit routes into local groups.

Athletics Development Officer

3.8 The purpose of the project is to encourage and provide easily accessible, locally based athletics opportunities – targeting secondary school age children. Therefore encouraging this group to take regular exercise through athletics and developing a habit of exercise before leaving education. Two satellite clubs will be set up to run in conjunction with Derby AC with the view to keeping a "club" running in South Derbyshire district. Appropriate links will also be made with South Derbyshire Road Runners to support its development.

3.9 Targets within this programme include:

- Develop a series of Sportshall Athletics events in the district in conjunction with the Competition Manager.
- Organise Sportshall Athletics Team for County Finals in March in conjunction with the Partnership Development Manager.
- Support the development of the District Cross Country programme and competitions.
- Development of a District StarTrack Scheme if appropriate.

3.10 The role of the officer will include: developing an annual programme of coaching in Primary Schools to support their entry into sportshall athletics events, organising qualified coaches for delivery programmes, developing new satellite centres with the school sport partnership and offering athletic taster sessions at annual events, for example the Festival of Leisure.

3.11 In terms of the district, the officer will also be working with other local partners including the existing running clubs, the Jog Derbyshire project, etc to develop exit routes into local groups

3.12 Both officers will be employed and managed by the School Sport Partnership with additional supervision provided from the Council's Sport and Youth Development Manager who already manages two other Community Sport Coaches.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 The cost of the Netball proposal is £5,000 of which £2,000 will be provided from the District Council's existing 'Get South Derbyshire Active' budget and £3,000 from Derbyshire Sport.

4.2 The contribution from this Council will also be use of an existing 'drop in desk' within the Leisure and Community Development service.

4.3 The cost of the Athletics proposal is £6,000 of which £2,000 will be provided by the South Derbyshire School Sport Partnership, £2,000 from Athletics England and £2,000 from the District Council's existing 'Get South Derbyshire Active' budget.

5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 The project contributes towards the corporate aim of a Safe and Healthier Community by providing physical exercise opportunities across the district.

6.0 Community Implications

6.1 This project provides an excellent opportunity for local people to engage in physical activity in community locations.

7.0 Conclusions

7.1 The Athletics and Netball Community Sport Coach project is another sports based project developed in Partnership that will provide innovative and cost effective services for the local community.