Engagement of young people in cultural, sporting and recreational activities

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	Recommendation	Stage	Complete
3	That the Director of city Development and the Director of Children's Services implement a system of		
	accurate data collection and management which will identify the engagement and take up of Breeze		
	programmes by young people and enable service provision to be targeted. Progress to be reported back to		
	the Scrutiny Board in February 2013.		
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	Three different Breeze Card monitoring pilots were conducted in 2013 with learning taken from each so that the best process	achieved	
	could be identified. Two of the three processes trailed have been found to suit the different settings where data are collected.	(Progress	
	Breeze on Tour and Breeze events – the new scanners trailed were a very safe and effective way of collecting data from	made	
	such a large audience, issues around data matching arose from the switch to the XN system, these snags in the new system	acceptable.	
	effect all methods of data collection. The Breeze Team along with City Development BRM are looking at ways to resolve these	Continue	
	issues and so enhance the quality of future data capture.	monitoring.)	
	The Inner South Wellbeing Pilot – this is continuing until the end of this financial year, and feedback and lessons learnt from		
	this pilot will shape the development of the monitoring system on the Breeze Culture Network. Early learning indicates that		
	this is the most safe and cost effective method for external partners to collect and report on participants data.		
	This method will be the one that is used to collect data from statutory and voluntary sector organisations accessing the Youth		
	Activities Fund in future. Some development of the Breeze Culture Network is required to enable the system to be as user		
	friendly as possible, this work is being scoped and will be implemented soon. A programme of training is also to be rolled out		
	to funders and those successful at securing funding.		
	<u>Director's Response (Received July 2012)</u>		
	As part of the work on the cards outlined in Recommendation 2, the data collection the system offers is being rationalised and agreed between the two directorates. City Development is also developing economic and social impact information as part of its grant schemes.		
	This will include a wide range of activity for young people and so is relevant to both directorates who are working together to develop		
	robust measures for the Children's Services Indicator 'having fun growing up' and the City Development Indicator 'engaging more people in		
	cultural activity'. While progress could be reported in February, it is recommended to delay until April/May when a further report could be		
	provided including data for activities for the whole of the 2012/13 financial year.		

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A system is being trailed this summer in a range of venues. It will collect data that will enable elected members and event organisers to measure take up of their activity by young people. It will show numbers, age range, gender and map where young people have come from to attend the event. It will only use de personalised data so no individual can be identified. The system will test a variety of collection devices in different type of venues from non-council run, indoor council venues and outdoor venues to identify which are the most robust and reliable technical approaches.

To be tested and refined over summer 2013

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The ambition to collect data beyond Council delivered activities poses some data protection issues as well as financial considerations. In order to identify the cheapest, most robust system that is both secure in terms of data and user friendly for organisations that are under resourced in staffing, we have piloted 3 approaches over the summer which are currently being reviewed.

Breeze on Tour and Breeze events - Hand held swipes were used – through these we were able to collect card numbers and down load them on onto the system. The swipes were backed up by data collected on computers. This system seems at first analysis to be both robust and safe in terms of data protection. We can confirm that 20,013 under 19's attended the 6 Breeze on Tour events a 8 Mini Breeze events.

The Inner South Wellbeing Pilot – Individual organisations that have been successful at securing Wellbeing funds were asked to upload attendance data onto a web based system via the Breeze Culture Network. This data has yet to be analysed.

The Breeze Youth Activities Fund - Spread sheets have been circulated to all organisations who have been granted Activity Funding. The spread sheets will now be collated to give a picture of attendance at the activities funded.

We will report back to Scrutiny both on the data collected and the success of the method.