

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Sustainable Economy and Culture)

Date: 20 December 2012

Subject: Scrutiny Inquiry – The role of leisure and culture in promoting public health

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. The Board decided that it wished to carry out an inquiry on the role of leisure and culture in promoting public health this year. A working group meeting was held on 30 August to meet with representatives from City Development, Children's Services and Public Health to scope the inquiry. Draft terms of reference for the inquiry were then approved by the Board in October 2012, with the inquiry due to begin in February 2013.
2. Since the original decision by the Board to undertake this inquiry, the council has been given the opportunity to bid for funding from Sport England from the 'Get Healthy, Get into Sport' fund. The council has submitted an expression of interest which is attached.
3. The fund will support projects that contribute to getting inactive people into once a week participation in sport for at least 30 minutes. The fund is also seeking to improve the evidence base for the role of sport in engaging inactive people.
4. The Head of Sport and Active Lifestyles will attend the Board's meeting to brief Members on this latest development since the inquiry was originally planned, and to discuss any consequential implications for the Board's planned inquiry.

Recommendations

5. Members are asked to:

- a) Note the expression of interest submitted to the Get Healthy, Get into Sport Fund.
- b) Consider any consequential implications for the Scrutiny Board's inquiry.

Background documents¹

None used

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.