

Meeting of the Kent and Medway Sports Board – 23rd April 2007

Attendees: Tony Monteuuis, Chris Hespe, Len Mayatt, Martin Laws, Tina Martin, Graham Holmes, Mike Wilkins, Mike Bishop, Danny O'Donovan, Kevin Day, Nigel Wheeler, Karen Bird

AGENDA	ACTION POINT	RESPONSIBILITY/ ACTIONS
Welcomes and Introductions	TM welcomed the Group. Members introduced themselves to Graham Holmes who will be taking over from Mike Wilkins as representative for Higher & Further Education.	
Notes from last meeting and matters arising	The amount of paperwork circulated with the board papers was a cause of concern. It was agreed that the procedural papers would be circulated well in advance of the meeting, not with the Board papers. Issues arising from the procedural paperwork will be flagged at the next meeting.	
Chairman's meeting with Regional Sports Board Chair and Sport England Officers	The Chairman had a very constructive meeting with Sport England and they were very supportive of the Board. Since the meeting, Sean Holt has moved to the London Region with Lisa O'Keefe temporarily taking over this role. It was noted that Sport England would welcome informal approaches from Kent. DOD raised a question about contacting Sport England regarding their participation in "Building Schools for the Future" project at Herne Bay High School. Board agreed, after May elections, the School and KSDU would contact Sport England to inform them of the project and ask for their participation. BSF recognises PE as essential participation for the future to see schools as part of the community.	CH / DOD

<p>Strategic Framework for Sport in Kent and Kent Disability Sports Strategy</p>	<p>CH presented a paper on Strategic Framework for Sport in Kent and asked for comments about timeline and strategic development. A discussion followed about using a rolling 4 year framework not a fixed term.</p> <p>The members were asked to look at the vision for sport in Kent on the Kent Sports Development Unit’s website – www.kentsport.org</p> <p>This item will be added to the Agenda for the next meeting.</p>	<p>ALL BOARD MEMBERS</p> <p>CH / KD</p>
<p>Kent County Forum for Sport Discussion</p>	<p>CH made a presentation on the Kent County Forum for sport. The forum was established 5 years ago and was formed of 60 people representing 50 different capacities. The forum had been effective but only for a short time. A discussion followed about what should happen with the Kent County Forum. The Board thought it should be representative of the Governing Bodies of Sport. However, it was agreed that CH would have further discussions with ML outside of the meeting to decide the best way to run the KCFS.</p>	<p>CH / ML</p>
<p>Kent and Medway Sports Board leaflet</p>	<p>A draft leaflet for the Kent & Medway Sports Board was circulated to the meeting. Obvious corrections were noted. Other suggestions such as reducing the size of the photograph on page 2 and adding under functions “attracting lottery funding” were noted. It was agreed to consider producing the leaflet digitally to enable it to be updated and refreshed regularly. A new draft would be circulated to the Board within 2 weeks. Board Members were mindful that they needed to be aware of equality issues to ensure that sport was accessible to all people in the County. Enquiries regarding the make up of the Board can be directed to the Chairman.</p>	<p>KD</p>

Regional Sports Board funded work and “fit for purpose”	The Chairman signed off the progress report on the Regional Sports Board funded work. There were no further comments from the Board.	
Major Events	<p>A list of major forthcoming events in Kent and Medway was circulated with a view to Members attending events that fell within their areas of interest.</p> <p>Members were asked to let CH or the Kent Sports Development Unit know which events they wish to attend. KSDU will contact the organisers of the events to let them know who will be attending as representatives of the Kent & Medway Sports Board.</p> <p>It was agreed that Major Events would be a standing item on the Agenda.</p>	<p>ALL BOARD MEMBERS</p> <p>CH / KD</p>
Active People Survey Results	<p>Andrea Murphy introduced herself to the Board and explained details about the Active People Survey. The survey was carried out over the telephone, contacting 1.000 people per local authority. The survey excluded some dance activities. The figures show that Kent is bottom of the Region.</p> <p>A discussion followed about how increased participation in sport could be measured, for example possibly by club membership. Concern was raised that as the next Active People Survey would not be conducted until 2009, future survey costs may have to be born by the local authority. Kent need to be able to provide robust monitoring and benchmarking figures for sports participation.</p> <p>AM mentioned that the Kent & Medway Lifestyle Survey show better figures for Kent.</p>	

	<p>However, the Board were concerned about how these figures were arrived at and how the figures were monitored.</p> <p>AM was asked to produce more in-depth statistics regarding age breakdown for the next meeting to highlight specific areas to target.</p> <p>The question was asked why sports participation was so low. It is generally believed that it is directly linked to social deprivation. The Board resolved to achieve an utmost increase in participation in sport.</p>	AM
Future Meeting Dates	<p>The meeting on 11th July has been rescheduled to:</p> <p>02/08/07 – 10.00am at 17 Kings Hill Avenue</p> <p>Other meetings:- 05/10/07 – 10.00am at 17 Kings Hill Avenue 09/01/08 – 10.30am at 17 Kings Hill Avenue</p>	
Any other business	<p>No other business</p> <p>Members were asked to inform CH of any points they wanted to add to the agenda and of any updates from their sectors for the Board to be aware of.</p>	