

**REPORT TO: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
2 DECEMBER 2009**

**SUBJECT: INSTITUTE OF SPORT, PARKS AND LEISURE (ISPAL) HEALTH
AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY RECOGNITION PROGRAMME
ASSESSMENT SPORTS DEVELOPMENT, AUGUST 2009**

BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for Committee to scrutinise and note the recent report published following the assessment visit of the Sports Development section by Quality Leisure Management Ltd (QLM).
(i) Health and Physical Activity Recognition Programme Report, August 26th/27th 2009 (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section D (12) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the Council's statutory powers to support activities related to the development of recreation, sport, culture and heritage.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that Committee scrutinises and notes the contents of this report.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Educational Services Committee meeting on 6th December 2006, the Committee endorsed the 'Living an Active Life' Physical Activity, Sport and Health Strategy for Moray 2007-2012 (Para 6 of the Minute refers).
- 3.2 The vision of this strategy is to improve the health and well-being of the Moray community through physical activity and sport. To evaluate how effectively this vision is being implemented, the performance of, in particular, the Sports Development section of the Moray Council was measured by QLM assessors through their ISPAL Health and Physical Activity Recognition Programme.
- 3.3 The QLM assessor evaluated the Sports Development section against 6 key statements (23 specific criteria objectives). Each of the criteria objectives were marked against the following indicators:

Grade	Definition	Description
A	Role Model	The organisation has developed clear plans and displays best practice in this area.
B	Strong	The organisation has developed clear plans and delivers and evaluates these

		plans to a very high standard.
C	Satisfactory	The organisation has developed plans and delivers these plans adequately.
D	Minor area for improvement	The organisation has developed plans but does not deliver these plans effectively.
E	Major area for improvement	The organisation does not currently meet one or more aspects of the criteria.

3.4 The report contains information on the key strengths from each of the 6 key statements which include examples of best practice. These are aspects of work of the section which are deemed to be of an extremely high quality and therefore are being highlighted for the benefit of others across the country.

3.5 The report also contains agreed areas for improvement. All this information is contained in the appendix to this report.

4. **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

(a) **Single Outcome Agreement/Service Improvement Plan**

(i) This report provides Committee with information relevant to Outcome 3 – we are better educated, more skilled and more successful, renowned for our research and innovation.

Outcome 11 – we have strong, resilient and supportive communities where people take responsibility for their own actions and how they affect others.

Outcome 15 – our public services are high quality, continually improving, efficient and responsive to local people's needs.

(ii) Within the Service Improvement Plan – Action Areas 2 and 17 – Self evaluation and Sports/Arts/Leisure development.

(b) **Policy and Legal**

Improving the health and wellbeing of the Moray community through physical activity and sport is not only an integral part of the local vision but is also a national priority. In particular, the Sports Development Team aims to fulfil the aspirations of increasing physical activity, sport and health levels of our community, as identified as a key objective in the Scottish Executive's Reaching Higher: Building on the success of sport 21.

(c) **Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)**

There are no immediate financial risks, staffing or property implications arising from this report.

(d) **Consultations**

Senior Officers within Educational Services and partner providers involved in the assessment process have been consulted and are in agreement with the relevant sections of this report.

5. **CONCLUSION**

5.1 That the Committee scrutinises and notes the contents of the report on the Health and Physical Activity Recognition Programme Assessment on Sports Development.

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Background Papers:

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