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SPORTS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM POLICY

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OBJECTIVE

To provide financial assistance to local district sporting clubs for projects, programs and events that benefit the development of the sport and enhance its delivery to City of Joondalup residents.

STATEMENT

This policy encompasses the following priorities :

- **1.** To support local district sporting clubs in the creation and implementation of Sports Development Planning.
- **2.** To assist local district sporting clubs to enhance the delivery of sport within the City of Joondalup to all local residents.
- **3.** To promote community based sport, through the growth of developmental programs initiated and conducted by local district sporting clubs.
- **4.** To ensure the success of local district sporting clubs through the establishment of identified pathways for local junior talent development.

DEFINITIONS

District Sporting Clubs – are clubs that play at or are aspiring towards the highest level of competition in their chosen sport. The club must provide a pathway leading to elite level participation.

Junior Participants – 18 years and under. Senior Participants – 19 years and over.

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1.0 Who is eligible ?

Sporting clubs that have a regional representation and who compete in district league competitions are eligible to apply to the Sports Development Program. Sporting clubs must be;

- Not-for-profit.
- Incorporated (under the provisions of the Association's Incorporation's act 1987).
- Located within the City of Joondalup.
- Representative at both Junior and Senior level.

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2.0 What projects are available for funding ?

2.1 Consideration will be given to the following;

- Projects/programs and events that are considered new initiatives and that can be seen to enhance the sports community profile.
- Projects/programs and events that include or aim to develop partnerships within the community.
- Projects/programs and events that directly increase the participation levels in the sport.
- Projects/programs and events that are supported by and clearly fit within the Sport Development Plans of the State Sporting Association.
- Projects/programs and events that develop pathways for local sports people to achieve the highest possible level of competition.
- Projects where alternative sources of State Government Funding are not available.
- Projects that assist clubs, on a short term basis, to meet potentially restrictive recurrent funding costs.
- New short term coaching appointments (1 year) where evidence of the clubs continued commitment to coaching development is provided.
- Projects that provide replacement sponsorship income for a one year period.

2.2 The City of Joondalup will <u>not</u> fund the following;

- Projects covered under the Community Sport & Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF). Such projects include the construction and extension of sporting facilities.
- Retrospective deficit funding (to repay cash shortfalls)
- For profit organisations
- Individuals
- Tours or travel costs resulting from overseas or interstate competitions.
- Payments for contracted players.
- Clubs that have received funding through the City of Joondalup's Community Funding Program.

3.0 How are applications assessed ?

Expressions of Interest for the Sports Development Program will be advertised in early January each year, with applications assessed seasonally in March (Winter Sports) and September (Summer Sports).

A panel of stakeholders comprising City of Joondalup officers and representatives from both the Department of Sport and Recreation and state sporting associations will assess the applications. The Panel will then make recommendations with a report developed and presented to council for approval. Section -

4.0 What are the conditions of Funding ?

- All applications must include a full financial history and future budget projections for the next 2 years to highlight how the funds will contribute to the self-sufficiency of the club.
- Clubs are not eligible to apply to the Sports Development Program the following year after a successful application.
- The maximum funding available to an individual club is \$20,000 in any one year.
- As a condition of all funding, clubs will be required to recognise the support provided by the City of Joondalup. The Council will require that suitable recognition is made in accordance to the level of funding offered.
- The club is to supply a full report and acquittal of the funds received by the time stipulated in the funding agreement.

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