



<b>Report to:</b>	Culture, Heritage and Sport Committee
<b>Date:</b>	16 March 2024
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Yorkshire Sport Presentation</b>
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Is this a key decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for call-in by Scrutiny?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information or appendices?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If relevant, state paragraph number of Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972, Part 1:	
Are there implications for equality and diversity?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

## 1. Purpose of this Report

- 1.1 This presentation is to provide committee members with an update of the current intelligence regarding the contribution that sport and physical activity makes to the West Yorkshire Plan, along with an overview of the structures and work taking place to make it easier and more enjoyable for people to be active across West Yorkshire.

## 2. Information

- 2.1 Yorkshire Sport Foundation is one of 43 Active Partnerships across England covering the two sub-regions of West Yorkshire and South Yorkshire. It is primarily funded through Sport England lottery funding and acts on behalf of Sport England at a local level. Its role is to create better connections, influence on behalf of the sector and support organisations and people to plan and deliver an environment that makes it easier and more enjoyable to be active. As part of its remit, it provides management capacity to support the development and operation of the District Activity Partnerships.

2.2 Over the last few months, Yorkshire Sport Foundation has been gathering intelligence regarding the extent to which sport and physical activity contributes to the outcomes of the West Yorkshire Plan. The evidence will be presented at the meeting for Board members to discuss.

2.3 It is well documented that sport and physical activity contributes to wider social and economic outcomes through:

- o Physical wellbeing
- o Mental wellbeing
- o Individual development
- o Social and community development
- o Economic development

2.4 For a number of years, each of West Yorkshire's districts has been putting in place collaborative structures to plan and deliver the conditions that will enable people to be active and play sport. Each is delivering a strategic plan, focussed on addressing inequalities within participation and also using sport and physical activity to tackle wider inequalities. Calderdale and Bradford districts have benefitted from focussed Sport England investment of over £7m and £11m respectively over the last five years as part of small number of Local Delivery Pilots. The programme is now being replaced by a larger number of 'Place Based Partnerships' that will be identified across the country; all five West Yorkshire Districts have been identified in the first phase of implementation. Whilst the funding for each of the Partnerships will not to be the level of the original Local Delivery Pilots, this remains a significant opportunity for West Yorkshire to take a step change in its approach to sport and physical activity.

The 'whole systems approach' being adopted emphasises that solutions to creating the environment for people to be active are largely found within local neighbourhoods and communities. Targeted work will continue to take place to work with people in those communities who are facing most inequalities. There is an opportunity, by working with cultural partners, to widen the scope of this work to ensure a more holistic approach is taken to support the creation of opportunities across our communities. This communities approach often needs to be supported by changes in policies and strategies at a District and sub-regional level that can unlock resources and remove barriers. Work is currently underway to ensure sport and physical activity can be embedded across as many areas of work as is possible and relevant.

### **3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications**

3.1 There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

### **4. Inclusive Growth Implications**

4.1 There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

### **5. Equality and Diversity Implications**



5.1 There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

## **6. Financial Implications**

6.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

## **7. Legal Implications**

7.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

## **8. Staffing Implications**

8.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

## **9. External Consultees**

9.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

## **10. Recommendations**

10.1 That the Culture, Heritage and Sport Committee notes the presentation from Yorkshire Sport Foundation.

10.2 The committee considers how they can champion sport & physical activity in the region so that the benefits outlined can be best realised.

10.3 The committee considers how the CA and partners can increasingly work together within communities to create broader opportunities to experience culture, sport and physical activity.

10.4 The committee considers how sport & physical activity should be represented in the CA plans post 2025.

10.5 The committee considers how sport & physical activity should be represented in the Economic Strategy.

## **11. Background Documents**

There are no background documents referenced in this report.

## **12. Appendices**

None.