

SUPPORT FOR SPORT 2021/22

AN OVERVIEW OF SUPPORT FOR SPORT 2021/22

Introduction

We are now at the end of the two year transition period and the Support for Sport framework will be in full effect for the 2021/22 sporting year.

The framework provides clear, logical and aspirational pathways for sports to obtain assistance from IOM Sport. This document outlines how the Support for Sport 2021/22 framework will assist Governing Bodies of Sport in developing their sports.

Background

In the previous two sporting years, IOM Sport asked Governing Bodies of Sport to produce a three year development plan from which annual priorities and objectives (P&Os) were to be identified for their sport.

In order to fund as many initiatives as possible through the Support for Sport process 2019/20, The Sports Liaison Committee capped the maximum amount of funding each sport received to remain within the IOM Sport budget.

Following the appointment of a Sports Liaison Officer (SLO) in March 2020, sports were encouraged to align their P&Os with those of IOM Sport during the 2020/21 process;

- Increase participation in sport across all levels from grassroots to elite
- Improve and develop coaching, volunteering and officiating to enhance performance across all levels
- Improve governance of local governing bodies and member clubs

Due to restrictions put in place by the Isle of Man Government as a result of Covid-19, funding for travel initiatives could not be allocated and therefore sports were encouraged to explore alternative initiatives for funding.

IOM Sport granted an extension to the deadline for documentation submission, understanding and appreciating Governing Bodies of Sport P&Os may have changed.

Sports received the opportunity to discuss their P&Os in thorough detail with the SLO, who offered advice and guidance prior to the final submission.

Although there is still uncertainty around travel and border closures at present, the Support for Sport process recognises the importance of travel to sports on the Island.

As such IOM Sport encourage Governing Bodies of Sport to include travel initiatives that fall under IOM Sport P&Os in their 2021/22 P&Os documentation.

Current Situation

Through an internal review and following feedback from sports, official documents are now more user friendly. Furthermore, the IOM Sport website will be a useful resource for sports with information, support guides and interactive resources aimed to help sports for the remainder of the sporting year and beyond.

Please continue reading the next page for further details on the Support for Sport 2021/22 timeline for the upcoming sporting year.