



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

DIRECTIONS GIVEN TO SPORT WALES UNDER SECTION 26(1) OF THE NATIONAL LOTTERY ETC. ACT 1993

The Welsh Ministers, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 26(1) of the National Lottery Etc. Act 1993 and having consulted the Sports Council for Wales, now trading as Sport Wales pursuant to section 26(5) of the National Lottery Etc Act 1993, hereby gives the following directions to Sport Wales:

1. In these Directions any reference to a section is a reference to a section of the National Lottery etc. Act 1993, as amended.
2. In exercising any of its functions, Sport Wales shall take into account the following matters in determining the persons to whom, the purposes for which and the terms and conditions subject to which they may make grants or loans, and the process used to determine what payments to make in distributing any money under section 25(1):
 - A. The need to ensure that money is distributed under Section 25(1) for projects which promote the public good and which are not intended primarily for private gain.
 - B. The need to have regard to the interests of Wales as a whole and the interests of different parts of Wales, taking account of the diverse demographic patterns, the requirement to reduce poverty and economic and social deprivation in the different parts of Wales, and the need to encourage public service bodies to work together wherever it will result in better outcomes for citizens.
 - C. The need in all cases, for applicants to demonstrate the financial viability of the project for the period of the grant.
 - D. The need where capital funding is sought:
 - I. for a clear business plan incorporating the need for resources to be available to meet any running and maintenance costs associated with each project for a reasonable period, having regard to the size and nature of the project; and;
 - II. for all developments to be built on a sustainable basis, having regard to the BREEAM assessment framework and the rating likely to be achieved, and to all other relevant standards as appropriate; and;

- III. to ensure that project evaluation and management process for major projects match those of the Office of Government Commerce's Gateway Review.
- E. In other cases, for consideration to be given to the likely availability of other funding to meet any continuing costs for a reasonable period after completion of the Lottery award, taking into account the size and nature of the project, and for Lottery funding to be used to assist progress towards viability wherever possible.
- F. The need to set specific time limits on the periods in respect of which grants are payable, whether for capital or revenue expenditure.
- G. The need to require an element of partnership funding and/or contributions in kind from other sources commensurate with the reasonable ability of different kinds of applicants, or applicants in particular areas to obtain such support.
- H. The desirability of working with other organisations, including other distributors, local partnerships with a clear link to and understanding of community needs and the voluntary and private sectors. Examples of such partnerships could include Communities First and Children's and Young People's Partnerships, amongst others.
- I. The need to promote and support the Welsh language and reflect the bilingual nature of Wales, including giving effect to the principle of equality between the English and Welsh languages. This should be achieved by including specific conditions on language in grants and monitoring and overseeing the performance of grant recipients with regard to those conditions.
- J. The need to ensure an evidence based/informed and outcome focussed approach, working closely with appropriate partners to achieve the best pattern of investment for the benefit of communities across Wales.
- K. The need to encourage innovation balanced with the need to manage risk in a manner commensurate with the type of project and applicant.
- L. The need to further the objectives of sustainable development.
- M. The need to include a condition in all grants to acknowledge Lottery funding using the common Lottery branding.

Outcomes and Priorities

- 3. Sport Wales shall take into account the need to distribute money under section 25(1) to projects which are intended to achieve one or more of the following outcomes and priorities and that delivery against these outcomes

and priorities is reported to the Welsh Government on an annual basis, the report should also include an analysis of grants made and the distribution of these by size, activity and geographical area.

Outcomes

- A. Increased levels of physical activity both at individual and community level, particularly amongst the disadvantaged in our society;
- B. Achieving success on the world stage by individuals and teams;
- C. Increased levels of sport, physical activity in the natural environment.

Priorities

- D. Promoting community involvement and local community initiatives, bringing people together and enhancing lives;
- E. Increasing physical activity and sports participation amongst adults of all circumstances and backgrounds, particularly those from the most sedentary groups of the population;
- F. Encouraging greater use of the natural environment to achieve increased physical activity;
- G. Encouraging people to be physically literate and educating them in the importance of physical activity;
- H. Increasing physical activity and sports participation amongst young people of all circumstances and backgrounds, particularly those from the most sedentary groups of the population;
- I. Enabling those suffering from poverty and disadvantage to fully participate in and/or access opportunities to undertake sport and physical activity;
- J. Encouraging accessible mainstream provision to sporting and leisure facilities for disabled people;
- K. Support the development of talented athletes;
- L. Increasing physical activity and sports participation amongst women and girls.