Payback Sports Facilities Fund Guidance (3m) - 375,000 per CJA

Financial arrangements

- If any CJA does not submit details of projects for the full amount of £375,00 by the 16th of December they will have no further opportunity in 2011/12
- Agreement must be secured between Local Authorities and CJAs prior to the submission to government with Members playing a key role
- Expenditure will be classified mainly as 'capital' expenditure
- Bids must make clear which financial year the expenditure will be incurred (funding can be carried forward)
- CJAs do not have to wait until they have projects totalling £375.00 to proceed

Successful bids should meet the follow requirements

- Include a diverse range of projects e.g. improving football pitches; reconstructing bowling greens; upgrading changing facilities; resurfacing tennis courts.
- Be for the purpose of upgrading and maintain facilities
- Should address a previously indentified need e.g by Sportscotland
- Lead to improvements in health
- Provide work which can help enhance skills of offenders
- Will assist in starting offenders on unpaid work more quickly
- Increase participation in sport
- Show demonstrable benefit to the community
- The facilities should be accessible to communities

Consultation

- There should be evidence of community support e.g response to consultation exercises on unpaid work
- Co-operate with Sportscotland to ensure effectiveness & sustainability
- May involve local sport clubs
- Consider opportunities to involve third sector partners

The process for compiling bids

The CJA in partnership with our constituent Local Authorities and the Scottish Government recognise the need for transparency, fairness and wide geographical coverage throughout Lanarkshire in allocating these funds.

Therefore the process for bidding, assessing and allocating funds will be as follows:

- North and South Lanarkshire Council will be asked to: consult with communities, advise potential bidders and collate bids.
- Deadline for submitting bids **tba**
- A funding panel will meet to prioritise bids. Suggested membership is: Councillor McCaig; Councillor Chadha; Tony McNulty (LCJA Chief Officer), Lillian Cringles (Manager Justice Services - NLC) and Arun Singh (Justice Service Manager - SLC) date tba.
- LCJA will forward an agreed package of bids to Graham Robertson, Scottish Government for final decision.

If further money becomes available in the future bids which are unsuccessful may still be considered.