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West Lothian Council

EDUCATION POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY PANEL

ACTIVE SCHOOLS REVIEW 2012-13

REPORT BY HEAD OF EDUCATION (QUALITY ASSURANCE)

A. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To inform the Panel on the progress made by Active Schools West Lothian during academic year 2012-13.

B. RECOMMENDATION

To note the contents of the report.

C. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

I	**Council Values**	Being honest, open and accountable Making best use of our resources Working in partnership
II	**Policy and Legal (including Strategic Environmental Assessment, Equality Issues, Health or Risk Assessment)**	None
III	**Implications for Scheme of Delegations to Officers**	None
IV	**Impact on performance and performance Indicators**	None
V	**Relevance to Single Outcome Agreement**	SOA 4 – Our Young People are successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens SOA 6 – We live longer, healthier lives
VI	**Resources - (Financial, Staffing and Property)**	Annually £386,940 – **sport**scotland £150,000 – West Lothian Council

VII	**Consideration at PDSP**	None
VIII	**Other consultations**	West Lothian Council **sport**scotland

D. TERMS OF REPORT

D1 Background

Active Schools West Lothian work together with organisations and individuals, including PE staff and Sports Development, to provide a wide range of opportunities connected to physical education, school sport and club sport. Active Schools is a national programme delivered in partnership with **sport**scotland.

The national aims of Active Schools are:

- More and higher quality opportunities to participate in sport within schools.
- Building capacity through the recruitment, retention and development of a network of volunteers
- Motivating and inspiring children and young people to participate in sport.

D2 Active Schools in West Lothian 2012-13

Working in partnership with schools, local clubs, organisations and individuals, Active Schools provided:

- 103,375 curricular participant sessions (number of participants multiplied by the number of activity sessions) for primary and secondary pupils.
- 71 curricular primary multi-school festivals and events
- 4 competitive curricular secondary School Sport Partnership (SSP) events (West Lothian Schools Cross Country, Gymnastics, Golf and Track and Field Championships).
- 28 competitive extracurricular secondary opportunities across 12 sports. The overall SSP 2012/13 league champions were Linlithgow Academy.
- 105,824 extracurricular participant sessions. Overall, 20% of the primary and secondary school role in West Lothian took part in regular extracurricular activity during 2012/13.
- 383 volunteers to lead or assist the delivery of 13,451 extracurricular activity sessions across 44 different sports and activities for primary and secondary pupils.

Appendix 1 provides a more detailed report on Active Schools curricular and extracurricular areas of work.

D3 In addition to the core work detailed above, Active Schools West Lothian:

- Facilitated the delivery of a coordinated primary-secondary PE programme within cluster areas. Active Schools also works in partnership with the PE Lead Officer (PELO) whose role is to support schools meet the 2hrs/periods of PE target and raise the quality of PE delivered.
- Worked with Scottish Swimming, Swim West Lothian and West Lothian Leisure to support the delivery of various swimming programmes across West Lothian sites.
- Played a key role alongside Sports Development in securing funding and delivering events designed to 'inspire' the West Lothian community to become more active and raise awareness of Glasgow 2014
- Produced a Volunteer Procedures pack and an Active Schools Induction pack recognised by **sport**scotland as examples of best practice.

A full breakdown of the performance data of Active Schools for 2012/13 within cluster areas can be found in Appendix 2.

D4 2013/14

Next year will offer an unparalleled opportunity to engage children and young people in sport and activity with two international events taking place on Scottish soil in 2014 (Commonwealth Games and Ryder Cup). Active Schools will play a key role within West Lothian in maximising engagement with these events and by providing a legacy through increased sports participation in schools and the wider community.

E. CONCLUSION

The information provided demonstrates that West Lothian's Active Schools team is performing well, especially in terms of providing opportunities for pupils to engage in sport and physical activity:

- 209,199 curricular and extracurricular participant sessions were supported or delivered via Active Schools.
- 103 primary and secondary multi-school sports festivals and events delivered, linked to sporting opportunities within the community.
- 383 individual volunteers recruited and supported.

F. BACKGROUND REFERENCES

None

Appendices/Attachments: Cluster Performance Figures for Active Schools 2012-13

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