

## 5. ACTIVE SCHOOLS REVIEW 2012-13

The Panel considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Education (Quality Assurance) providing an update on the progress made by Active Schools West Lothian during academic year 2012-13.

The report advised that Active Schools West Lothian worked in partnership 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 sportscotland. The Cluster Performance Figures for Active Schools 2012-13 was attached as an appendix to the report.

The Active Schools Manager then provided an update to the Panel on the number of curricular and extracurricular participant sessions supported or delivered via Active Schools. 103 primary and secondary multi-school sports festivals and events delivered were linked to sporting opportunities within the community and 383 individual volunteers were recruited and supported. He also advised that next year would offer the opportunity to engage children and young people in sport and activity with the Commonwealth Games and Ryder Cup taking place in Scotland in 2014. It was noted that 1,670 children were introduced to golf in schools in West Lothian.

During the question and answer session the Panel asked if there were any pupils from schools in West Lothian who would be eligible to take part in the Commonwealth Games in 2014. The Panel also asked how many senior school pupils were involved in the delivery of activities within schools in West Lothian in the last academic session and did they obtain any qualifications to support their training? The Active Schools Manager agreed to provide members with a response to their questions following the meeting.

The Panel was advised that a number of programmes were available encouraging pupils to engage in sport and physical activity with feedback indicating that West Lothian's Active Schools team was performing well.

The Panel thanked staff involved within West Lothian's Active Schools team for the excellent support given to pupils.

### Decision

1. To note the contents of the report;
2. To agree that the Active Schools Manager would report back to members with a response to the questions raised; and
3. To note that the Chair recommended that the report be submitted to a future meeting of the Education Executive.