

# Fingal County Council Housing & Community Department

## Youth Sport (Small Grant) Scheme

Fingal County Council Sports Office aims to support sport in Fingal by: increasing opportunities to participate in sport, delivering excellent and innovative programmes, providing training, leading and raising the profile of sport in the county.

The Youth Sport (Small Grant) Scheme aims to assist existing clubs towards equipment purchase, referee / coaching fees etc., Applications that create a positive impact on participation levels and demonstrate sustainability within the club will have a greater propensity for funding approval.

### To be eligible organisations/clubs must:

- be situated within the boundaries of Fingal
- have sport for young people (under 18yrs) as its primary focus
- operate as a 'not for profit' club or organisation that is open to public membership
- have a voluntary management committee with elected officers
- be affiliated to an Irish Sports Council recognised National Governing Body
- have a bank account in its own name and adequate insurance cover for all aspects of their activities
- carry out their activities ensuring compliance with current legislation
- have policies and practices that encourage participation regardless of gender, race or ability
- operate under the basis of best practice for children in sport – a member of the club must have previously attended or be registered to attend a Child Protection Awareness course
- keep written financial records and registration of members. The records must be available to the Sports Office or County Dublin VEC on request.

### Clubs applying for a grant must:

- provide a copy of the minutes of the most recent AGM
- include a completed Electronic Transfer Form (EFT) (see enclosed)
- acknowledge funding received from Fingal County Council to club members in any media outlets ie newsletter/facebook/twitter etc.

### Individuals and the following organisations ARE NOT ELIGIBLE to apply:

- National/Regional/County Governing Bodies
- For profit groups/commercial organisations
- Private facility owners
- Statutory agencies.

### Funding may be considered towards setting up:

- a juvenile section where such a section does not currently exist
- a new gender section where such a section does not currently exist e.g. a new girl's team in an all male club
- a disability strand within a mainstream club.

### NOTE:

Applicants should note that successful clubs/organisations must comply with any reasonable request regarding publicity from Fingal County Council.

Any club/organisation funded under this scheme may be asked to submit a report to Fingal County Council Sports Office and may be asked to supply documentary evidence of how the funds were spent.