

CLUB ADVISORY GROUP
26 November 2019

The minutes of meeting 1/2019 of the Club Advisory Group held on 26th November 2019 at 6.30pm in the Boardroom, Nona Lee Sports Centre.

PRESENT:

Mr Tim Lee (Director of Sport)
Ms Jodi Kelly (Touch Football)
Mr Bob Girdwood (Football)
Mr Maciej Necki (Underwater)

APOLOGIES:

Ms Rosemary Bissett (Volleyball)
Ms Cheryl Low (Kendo)

IN ATTENDANCE:

Rod Warnecke (Sport Development Manager)
Eugene Toh (Executive Support Officer)

1. WELCOME, APOLOGIES AND INTRODUCTION

1.1 Welcome

The Chair welcomed all present and thanked those who volunteered their time to form the Club Advisory Group.

1.2 Apologies

Ms Kelly and Ms Low were listed as apologies

1.3 Minutes from previous meeting

N/A

1.4 Business arising/action items from previous meeting

N/A

2. MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 Mr Warnecke presented the draft Club Advisory Group (CAG) Terms of Reference and provided a brief history of the group's formation. The previous Club Support Working Group advised development of the CAG to demonstrate transparency and equity on how MU Sport supports the affiliated sporting clubs. This was further supported through the Club support discussion paper which was previously distributed to the working group.

Mr Warnecke emphasized that this is currently a draft paper and was seeking feedback from the CAG on how the policies, procedures and guidelines align with MU Sport's club funding models and Strategic Plan for Sport. The purpose of the Terms also reflected MU Sport's commitment to their stakeholder engagement strategy and the group's broader commitment to transparency and equity.

Mr Girdwood asked what the role of the CAG was regarding certain disputes – for example where a club has an issue with how much funding they are receiving. Mr Warnecke referenced the Club Support Guiding Principles document distributed to the group, noting that CAG endorsement of any funding should align with these principles. Mr Lee also commented that there may be broader funding policies and issues that the CAG will need

to examine in the future. Where broad consultation is needed, a Green Paper-White Paper approach will be used ensuring that the CAG has oversight of these policies, procedures and guidelines.

Referencing the Club Stakeholder Engagement Report, Ms Bissett asked whether there are elements of child safety embedded in the safety management plans being developed by Sport. This is an element which is currently being explored. If this becomes an ongoing issue for clubs, it will be brought back to the CAG for discussion.

Resolution

The CAG noted the Terms of Reference.

Action

Distribute the CAG meeting dates for 2020.

3. MATTERS FOR Decision

3.1 Club Funding

Mr Warnecke presented the Club Operational Funding guideline and 2020 Funding Summary, noting that club funding will increase in 2020 in line with CPI. This is supplemented by in-kind support including facility access, HR support, strength and conditioning services etc. Mr Warnecke opened discussion to the group asking whether the CAG was comfortable with the 2020 funding summary.

Ms Bissett asked why some clubs receive 0 funding under the budget. Mr Warnecke referenced the funding guidelines which dictate how support is provided. In these cases, alternative services are given to the clubs including support through coaching, administration and greater facility access. Sport's analysis indicates that approximately \$1 million annually is provided to the clubs through in-kind support.

Mr Girdwood asked how confidential the funding information is and whether clubs can access how much funding other clubs are receiving. Once finalized with greater clarity, the information will be accessible through the club resources page.

Resolution

The CAG noted the CAG Terms of Reference.

4. OTHER BUSINESS

5. MEETING FINALISATION

5.1 Next Meeting

Next meeting TBC

Action Sheet 1/2019

Minute no.	Item Title	Action	Person/s Responsible	Current Status
2.1	CAG Terms of Reference	Distribute the CAG meeting dates for 2020.	Rod	