



## TRAFFORD COUNCIL

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Dear Club Colleague,

In partnership with the Trafford Sports Council we write to inform you of an excellent opportunity for your Club to become involved in the way sport in Trafford develops over the next few years.

Such an opportunity has never been available before and this is your chance to have an impact upon the way in which a significant amount of funding is utilised.

Sport and Physical Activity Alliances (SPAA) are a new initiative through which funding is distributed and earmarked for priority projects and work areas. The SPAA is made up of partners from various sectors in the community such as health, leisure and education, amongst others. The voluntary sector is represented at the SPAA by the Trafford Sports Council. For the Sports Council to truly reflect the views of the voluntary sporting community a communication structure is to be established which will allow the Sports Clubs of the borough the opportunity to voice their opinions. In turn the consensus of the Clubs will be taken back to the SPAA and fed into discussions to ensure that the Clubs have a voice regarding important sporting decisions.

Both Trafford Sports Development and the Trafford Sports Council feel that the most effective way to establish this vital communication channel is by arranging a series of meetings to which all the Sports Clubs in Trafford are invited. You will have the opportunity to offer your suggestions on how sport should develop, how the voluntary sector can be involved and what the gaps currently are. Once the consensus of views have been gained from the Clubs and in turn the SPAA, priorities will be decided and projects developed for which funding will be allocated. All these decisions will be made with all partners fully involved ensuring a whole borough approach to the future of sport in Trafford.

To begin this process we would like to invite your Club to attend the first meeting of the Trafford Sports Council Club Forum. The meeting is to be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 7.00pm – 9.00pm at George Carnall Leisure Centre.

The agenda for this meeting will include further information on the SPAA provided by Daniel Newall, Sports Development Manager and the Sports Council. The main focus of the session will then be an opportunity for Clubs to express views on sport in the borough in order to ultimately gain a list of priority areas to be taken back to the next SPAA meeting. It is important to realise that this is not simply an opportunity to raise issues specific to your Clubs circumstances without offering a way in which things can be moved forward.

Further meetings will feedback on information gained from the SPAA meeting and involve prioritising projects and therefore the funding that will be allocated to them.

We appreciate that Club personnel are volunteers with limited time and a great deal to fill it with and this may be viewed as just another meeting to attend. Please be assured that this really is the start of a process that will change the way sport in Trafford develops. It is vital you and your Club are a part of it.

In order to register your Clubs desire to be part of the Trafford Sports Council Club Forum please contact Jenny Burton at Trafford Sports Development either via email, [jenny.burton@trafford.gov.uk](mailto:jenny.burton@trafford.gov.uk) or by telephone on 0161 912 3135.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the above number or email address.

Yours sincerely,

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