

**WEST YORKSHIRE SPORT  
WEST YORKSHIRE DISABILITY GROUP MEETING  
Minutes of Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2006 at FDSO**

**PRESENT**

Lucy Birkenshaw	West Yorkshire Sport – Sport Dev Officer
Debbie Greenwood	Equity Development Officer – Calderdale
Maureen Holroyd	Sports Development Officer – Kirklees MC
Tony Stones	Federation of Disability Sports Organisations
Gail Tombs	School Sports Coordinator - Wakefield
Jo Wherrell	Federation of Disability Sports Organisations

**APOLOGIES**

Rob Cooper	Bradford Sport & Rec for Disabled People
Steve Greatorex	Learning Support representing Wakefield
Katy Elliott	Disability Sports Development Officer – Leeds

The group welcomed MH to the group.

1. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – MATTERS ARISING**

The group went through the minutes for the last meeting.

DG asked if there was any update on the Youth Games. LB explained that an executive group have met recently and have decided that the games will take place on a scaled down basis. The young people will all be targeted from schools.

LB asked Sarah Zagni what the implications were in terms of disability sports. SZ to address at the next youth games meeting.

LB has collated the SWOT analysis and will put into framework headings for the plan.

2. **FEEDBACK FROM NOTTINGHAM**

Members of the group that attended the conference in Nottingham were not at the disability meeting.

LB explained the conversation with SG regarding an example of good practice in terms of training and talent identification. This would be extremely useful to look at when putting the West Yorkshire training package together.

3. **EFDS DISABILITY EQUALITY TRAINING**

RC and KE attended the Disability Equality Training course which allows them both to tutor the course. Feedback on the course will be provided at the next meeting and feed into the training package if appropriate.

#### 4. WEST YORKSHIRE TRAINING PACKAGE

The group talked about groups the training will be pitched at. There are so many groups out there that would benefit from such a package, that it was decided that the training should be a reactive package.

Discussion took place around how the training could target mainstream schools. GT detailed the Youth Sports Trust / EFDS gifted and talented programme that they are undertaking.

It is envisaged that the training would target mainstream schools, multi sports clubs, after schools clubs, resource centres, scouts / guides.

The group talked about what should be included in the training package. It was suggested that a consultation exercise should take place in order to find out the need. As the training package will target many different groups, it was decided that the consultation would be too time consuming.

It was decided that there was enough expertise and knowledge to design the package with all of the groups in mind.

The group took some time to look through the training that KE had put together for Leeds and SG for Wakefield. It was agreed that both were valuable resources.

In terms of how the training package should look, the group said a combination of the two would be the most useful. KE's training gave timelines and was more of a tutor pack, whereas, SG's was more of a guidance / resource manual.

In terms of funding for the guide, LB said that resources are limited. The group discussed having a binder that could include a variety of resources, tutor packs, guidance notes, workshops, etc however, this would prove costly.

Local Authorities and districts have their own training and have developed it themselves at low cost. It was decided that the group would develop a West Yorkshire package in the same way, but it would be a coordinated approach.

Before developing the package any further, it was felt that the other group members would be able to contribute and input as they have developed packages of their own.

Elements of the Disability Equality course could also be added in if appropriate.

**LB to contact SG, KE and RC to arrange a meeting.**

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- JW explained that there have been some good returns from some areas for the club directory, but not so good from others. **JW to email the directory out for the group to comment on content and notify if any clubs are missing that people are aware of.**
- JW detailed that the Level 1 Boccia course is full and 17 people are on the waiting list for another.
- LB updated that there is some Learning Skills Council funding available to fully subsidise a further Boccia course. **JW to contact Louise Morby at West Yorkshire Sport.**

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

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