

## Nottingham City Community Sport Support and Participation Programme

**Sport England has awarded Nottingham City Council a grant of £163,840 to work in partnership with Nottingham Community and Voluntary Service (NCVS) to capacity build and increase or sustain participation in sports clubs and community groups.**

The project utilises the skills, knowledge and experience of the voluntary sector to support the development of Nottingham City sports clubs and community groups.

The support for this infrastructure within Nottingham City will enhance the capacity for both sports clubs and community groups to increase the number of people within their group or club taking part in 1 x 30 minutes.

The project will enable and support a strategic partnership between Nottingham City Council (NCC), Nottingham Community and Voluntary Service (NCVS), and Sport England supporting shared organisational objectives. Through improved organisational capacity and sustainability in sports clubs and other VCS groups, the number of people taking part in 1 x 30 minutes will be increased.

The Community Sport Support and Participation Programme has been developed to achieve the headline outcome over the three years of the project of:

**275\* clubs or community groups receiving support**  
**1400 new participants taking part in 1 x 30 minutes of sport**

\*This is the number of unique interventions, a club or group may have more than one unique intervention over the three years.

Our headline outcome will be achieved through the following broad outcome areas as follows:

1. An increased profile of support available to Nottingham City Sports Clubs: Clubs know where to go for support and how to access it.
2. An increased or sustained number of people taking part in 1 x 30 minutes of participation through improved organisational capacity and sustainability, of Nottingham City Sports clubs.
3. An increase in the number of new people taking part in 1 x 30 minutes of participation, the Nottingham City Voluntary and Community sector (VCS) accessing support having the opportunity to diversify into sport activity.

### **Contribution to Growing Participation**

#### **Sustained or increased participation in traditional sports clubs**

The support programme will work with traditional sports clubs to grow and develop their capacity in a variety of areas. There is also the opportunity to broker relationships between the traditional sports clubs and community groups.

#### **Increased participation in community groups diversifying into sport**

This partnership has opened up an increased opportunity to reach 1,337 existing community groups of which only 106 currently (8%) have sport as a primary focus. The relationship and influence that NCVS has with these groups will provide increased opportunity to promote sport and physical activity to new people.

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