The Role of Further Education in Creating new Sporting Opportunities for Young People

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Areas to be covered

- Background to the FESCo Programme
- Aims / Objectives of the Programme
- Challenges facing the network
- Opportunities
- Next Steps

Background to the FESCo Programme

- Proposal first appeared in the DCSF Olympic and Paralympic Delivery Plan
- Announcement of additional investment of £100m
- Contribution to the delivery of the 5 hour Offer and the new PSA Target No 22 and National Indicator 57.

Key aim for the FESCo network

- The FE Sports Co-ordinator programme will **increase opportunities for young people, aged between 16 and 19 in education, to participate, perform and lead and volunteer in Sport.**

Expected outcomes

- An increase in the range and quantity of sport programmes available to students aged 16-19
- An increase in the number of coaching hours across a range of sports
- An increase in the number of intra and inter college competitions
- An increase in training, support and deployment of young people as volunteers in sport
- An improvement in the provision of “sign-posting” information to college students regarding participation opportunities in community sport

Challenges & Opportunities

- Timetabling
- Lack of facilities
- Interest from students
- Interest from staff in College

Potential of FE

We know that…

- Drop off is significant
- YP aged 16-19 represent a large pool of tapped and untapped resource with more than **700,000** learners…
- YP aged 16-19 *participate* in sport far more than the national average
- Those in FT education participate more than those who have finished

FESCOs can unlock FE's potential to:

- Provide a step in the pathway from College / School Sport to community sport
- Grow numbers of 16-19 year olds participating in sport in college and sustain participation of 16-19 yr olds in community sport during and post education
- Play a role in providing competitive opportunities
- Support a talent pathway for 16 – 19 year olds
- Develop leaders and volunteers to support schools and community sports clubs to deliver sport

Thank you

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