DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Policy and Resources Committee

REPORT ON: New Opportunities Fund PE and Sport Bid Update

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

Director of Education

Director of Neighbourhood Resources

Director of Social Work

REPORT NO: 45-2003

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To inform the Committee of the response from the New Opportunities Fund to the initial application by Dundee City Council for funding under the new PE & Sport Programme and to obtain approval for the proposed revised bid.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

- 2.1 notes the New Opportunities Fund response and their consideration that certain elements of the bids are ineligible.
- 2.2 agrees the proposed revised Bid.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The proposals in this report would be wholly funded by the New Opportunities funding allocation to Dundee of £2.6 million over three years.

4.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Equal Opportunities implications have been considered in the drawing up of the New Opportunities Fund for PE & Sport Bid. Every opportunity has been taken to make Dundee a more family friendly and barrier free city by the implementation of the proposed programme. Commitment has been made to consult and involve all the target groups on all the issues which will be effecting them. There is a particular emphasis in the programme to work with young girls to increase their level of physical activity which is well below the desired National standards. All programme will be accessible by people with a disability.

5.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Local Agenda 21 implications were considered in the drawing up of the New Opportunities Fund for PE and Sport Bid. Local needs will be met locally by the provision of the programme. Access to the programme will be available to all and the programme is targeted at improving the general health and well being of the school population in Dundee. Opportunities for culture, leisure and recreation will readily be available to all.

6.0 BACKGROUND

- Reference is made to Article VII of the Policy and Resources Committee of the 9 September 2002 where the Committee agreed to both the Activities Programme Projects and the programme of Facilities Projects. The New Opportunities Fund has now responded to Dundee City Council stating that Project No. 4 of the Facilities Projects BMX/Inline/ Skateboarding with new provision throughout the city is not eligible for funding as we have been unable to prove that there will be school curricular time visits to the proposed new BMX/Inline/Skateboarding Parks provided throughout the city. New Opportunities Fund are able to provide funding for our proposed support to the Gate Fellowship in the development of the Factory II skateboard provision as long as they are able to demonstrate that curricular time school visits will be provided.
- The New Opportunities Fund has also indicated that they are unable to provide funding for Project No. 8 for Multi-use Surfaces on the Green Circular which includes re-surfacing of sections of the Green Circular. Again this is due to the fact that we have been unable to demonstrate curricular school visits to the multi-use areas of the Green Circular.
- It is therefore proposed to re-allocate the funding of £290,000 that was earmarked for these two projects to the Reserve List Projects. Unfortunately as this amount does not equal the Reserve List projection of £366,000 it is proposed to submit to New Opportunities Fund for one eleven-a-side artificial pitch instead of the two seven-aside pitches that had previously been suggested. This would cost approximately £273,000. It is proposed that the remaining £12k is allocated to Projects No. 1 Outdoor Adventure Facilities, improvements to Ancrum Centre for essential works to the dry ski slope.

A summary of costs is provided at Appendix 1

7.0 CONSULTATIONS

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services and Director of Corporate Planning have been consulted on the contents of this report.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

Article VII of the Policy and Resources Committee of 9 September 2002

STEVE GRIMMOND DIRECTOR OF LEISURE AND ARTS 17 DECEMBER 2002

ANNE WILSON DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION 17 DECEMBER 2002

FRASER PATRICK DIRECTOR OF NEIGHBOURHOOD RESOURCES 17 DECEMBER 2002

ALAN BAIRD DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WORK 17 DECEMBER 2002

NEW OPPORTUNITIES FUND: SUMAMRY OF PROJECTS

	Activities Programme	£
1	Out of School Hours/Active Steps – Activity Programme and "Passport Scheme	827,269
2	Active Steps – Outdoor Adventure Activities Programme	145,000
3	Active Steps – Sports Outreach Service	215,270
	Total	1,187,539
	Facilities Programme	£
1	Outdoor Adventure Activities. Improvements to Ancrum Centre	176,000
2	Improved provision for physical education in schools. Playground Improvements at 10 schools @ £20k each	200,000
3	Increased levels of Physical Activity. Gymnastics storage improvements at Lynch Sports Centre	80,000
4	Increased levels of Physical Activity. Support for the Gate Fellowship for Factory II	50,000
5	Improvement between schools and their communities. Community Access improvements to Baldragon Community School	360,000
6	Increased levels of Physical Activity. Club Development with a new clubroom at Dundee International Sports Complex	40,000
7	Increased levels of Physical Activity. Resurfacing of Athletics Running Track at Caird Park	246,000
8	Increased levels of Physical Activity. Development of Ward Road Gym	40,000
9	Increased levels of Physical Activity. One new artificial 11-a-side pitch	273,000
	Total	1,465,000