9 FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (AN68-2005)

Background

A partnership between the Scottish Football Association (SFA), Dundee United Football Club, Dundee Football Club and Dundee City Council's Education and Leisure and Arts Department has recently been developed to strategically plan and coordinate Football Activities for Children and Young People (boys and girls) in the City.

The SFA, with support from sportscotland, are also in the process of developing a Regional programme of Football Development in partnership with Football Clubs and Local Authorities across Scotland. In order to effectively integrate with the above Regional Strategy, it is proposed a Dundee Football Development Officer Post is established for a 4 year fixed term period.

Some of the main duties of the Football Development officer will include:

Ensure a co-ordinated approach to the development of football by working closely with Dundee FC and Dundee United FC, other local Football Clubs the Active Schools Programme and Sports Development Programmes.

Provide a co-ordinated football coaching and competition programme for children and young people.

Plan and deliver needs-based Coach Education and development programmes targeted at teachers, coaches and volunteers.

Provide after-schools programmes in the local community

Provide football camps within the Easter, Summer and October holidays.

Establish and deliver Regional/Local Squads, and ensure pathways are in place for all children to develop in the sport.

Management

The AP3-4 (SCP 23-30) post will be line managed by the Leisure and Arts Departments Sports Development Section. A Football Development Group, including representatives from Education Department, Leisure and Arts Department, Dundee United Football Club, Dundee Football Club and the Scottish Football Association, will be created to ensure the effective planning, coordination and delivery of football in Dundee.

The cost of the post will be supported by external funding of £38,000 from the SFA with a contribution from the Education and Leisure and Arts Departments which can be contained within existing revenue budgets.

In order to implement the above Regional and Local Football Strategies and programmes in Dundee financial contributions have been identified from the following sources.

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
SFA	£9,910	£9,910	£8,910	£8,910
L&A Dept		£7,249	£7,386	£7,715
		£7,999		
Education Dept	£5,000	£5,000	£5,000	£5,000
Coaching Income	£500	<u>£1,000</u>	£2,500	£3.000
-	£22,659	£23,296	£24,125	£24,909
Staff Costs	£22,659	£23,296	£24,125	£24,909

It is anticipated the Football Development officer will also attract external funding from a variety of sources, including sponsorship, community safety, antisocial behaviour funds etc

The contributions from the Leisure and Arts and Education Departments can be met from existing revenue budgets.