

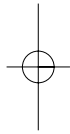
Sports Council for Wales

Annual Report 2003/4



PART 1

Accounts and Corporate Plan



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The Sports Council for Wales is the national organisation responsible for developing and promoting sport and active lifestyles. It is the main adviser on sporting matters to the Welsh Assembly Government and is responsible for distributing funds from the National Lottery to sport in Wales.

The four broad objectives of the Sports Council for Wales are:

- to increase participation in sport and physical activity;
- to raise standards of performance and excellence;
- to improve the provision of sporting facilities;
- to provide technical information and advice about sport, recreation and active lifestyles.

This annual report is presented for the period from 1 April 2003 to 31 March 2004. The report incorporates a separate breakdown of lottery distribution for the same period, along with a summary of the Corporate Plan for the period 2005/6 to 2007/8.

The Council aims to be one of the main contributors to the Welsh Assembly Government's vision for sport, 'Climbing Higher'. It fully subscribes to the Assembly's vision for a physically active and sporting nation, namely:

- Wales needs to be more physically active in order to be a healthier nation;
- Wales needs healthy citizens to deliver long term prosperity;
- Wales needs to maximise the synergy between sport, active recreation and the natural environment;
- Wales needs people to be more physically literate;
- Wales needs more physically active communities;
- Wales needs systematic and sustainable success in the sports that matter most to us.

A new strategic framework, detailing how the Council will contribute to 'Climbing Higher', will be published in 2005.



CHAIR'S STATEMENT



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"Sport is an important part of how we define ourselves, personally and as a nation. It should be considered as an investment rather than as expenditure if it is to move from the wings to midfield as a powerful tool for a healthier and better Wales."

These were the words of Alun Pugh AM, Minister for Culture, Welsh Language and Sport when launching the 'Climbing Higher' consultation document in July 2003.

On my appointment at the beginning of this year, one of my first engagements was to attend the Welsh Assembly Government's first Sport Summit and, I think, the first of its kind anywhere. This was a hugely successful event which brought together for the first time a wide range of individuals with an interest in sport, physical activity and health.

There is little doubt that the 'Climbing Higher' strategy which is evolving from a detailed consultation process will have a significant impact on more than just the sports community. It is a clear statement of the Welsh Assembly Government's vision for a healthier Wales and of the role sport and physical recreation can play in contributing to that vision. But the real picture is broader even than that. Sport is now also recognised as a major contributor to social inclusion, community regeneration, crime reduction, and improved educational attainment.

The new strategy will help to provide the framework for the Council's future programmes and its allocation of resources. Over the coming years, it will influence both the style and structure of our corporate planning and our bidding for additional support.

Together with this, we are also implementing the recommendations of the Quinquennial Review and incorporating those principles into our work. Advocacy, marketing and the strengthening of our development role will be key themes in the immediate future.

We do have a strong foundation on which to build. Our major programmes such as Dragon Sport, Disability Sport Cymru, PESS, Community Chest and Élite Cymru are highly valued by our partners and stakeholders. More young people are already taking part in sport than ever before, whether after school or as members of sports clubs. We have gone a long way towards eliminating the gender gap at primary school age level and made some progress in closing this gap at secondary school age and for adults. It is clear, however, that there is much still to do. The vast majority of the population does not currently undertake enough physical activity to maintain good health.

This report shows how we have embraced the issues of gender equality and social inclusion. Our work on race equality is still in its infancy and greater priority will be given to this in the next financial year. Mainstreaming the Welsh Language is a priority for us and our strategy has been endorsed by the Welsh Language Board.

At national level, the priority has been on the reform and modernisation of governing bodies of sport. It is important that bodies in receipt of public funding can account for

the economic, efficient and effective use of that money. However, we are also very conscious of the burdens that are placed on voluntary bodies. People give of their time freely to improve their sport, not to operate bureaucratic processes for the public sector. Achieving the right balance is a continuing challenge for the Council.

The major capital development during the year was the Wales National Velodrome in Newport. Funded with lottery money, it is a state-of-the-art facility and is helping to attract world class events to Wales.

A number of statistics are worthy of mention:

- A total of 1,032 primary schools are now part of the Dragon Sport scheme and 73,000 children took part last year;
- Over 10,000 people participated in the Disability Sport Cymru scheme, nearly 2,500 of whom were new members of clubs;
- Community Chest funding enabled over 3,200 new and existing coaches to receive training and 30,000 participants to receive sporting opportunities;
- 30 new Development Centres were established as part of the PE and School Sport project;
- Both national centres had excellent financial performances, while the Welsh Institute of Sport achieved a QUEST quality score putting it in the top 5% of centres in the UK. Plas Menai contributed towards two Welsh sailors becoming junior and youth world champions.

With 'Climbing Higher' offering a much more significant role for the Council it was a privilege to be appointed as the new Chair of the Council at such an important time. The Welsh Assembly Government has demonstrated its strong commitment to sport and physical recreation and the central role it can play in the life of the nation. Council members and staff here have a wealth of experience in these areas, and we all very much look forward to working closely with the Minister and the Welsh Assembly Government to drive forward the new strategy.

In closing I would like to thank Anne Ellis for holding the fort so ably in the interim period before my appointment and for her considerable help since. I warmly thank all Council members, and Dr Huw Jones and his Senior Management Team for their help and support, and for the enthusiastic way in which they have embraced the new agenda. Support from the officials at the Sports Policy Unit at the Welsh Assembly Government has also been invaluable and Council staff have been unfailingly welcoming and encouraging.

Phil Carling
Chair

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DELIVERING THE NEW AGENDA – A MORE ACTIVE AND HEALTHY WALES

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KPC Youth

"I WANTED TO DO SOMETHING IN THE COMMUNITY THAT WOULD GET YOUNG PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AND GIVE THEM SOMEWHERE TO GO."

Helena Parobij

KPC Youth was supported by the Sports Council for Wales to carry on the fantastic work it is doing with young people in an area just outside Bridgend. Helena Parobij, the organisation's project co-ordinator, started the youth group following her son's death in 1997. Since then, funding has allowed KPC Youth to add facilities such as netball, basketball, a 5-a-side floodlit pitch and a skate park.

"I wanted to do something in the community that would get young people off the streets and give them somewhere to go", says Helena. "We won the right to lease some derelict land and, with help and donations from the local community, we managed to get KPC Youth up and running."

"We now have 740 members aged from eight to 25; six youth workers and a number of voluntary staff so the Lottery money is essential to us. If it wasn't for the money we just wouldn't be here," says Helena.

KPC Youth is an example of a multi-agency project in an area recognised as being severely socially and economically disadvantaged with a lack of affordable recreational facilities.

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*Alun Pugh AM, Minister for Culture, Welsh Language & Sport
'Climbing Higher' – July 2003*

More people in Wales are doing sport than ever before, with 57% of the population participating in a recognised sport. However, there is still a long way to go and in order to contribute to a more healthy and active Wales, the Sports Council for Wales is:

- encouraging participation in physical activity by changing the ways that people think and act;
- helping people to become more comfortable with physical activity and raising their expectations about the potential for achievement;
- encouraging individuals to participate in physical activity for fun and health, as well as for sporting success;
- enabling access to sport and physical activity for all through the provision of appropriate physical infrastructure and human resources.

How are we doing?

It is widely recognised that only by introducing children to the widest range of sports opportunities at an early age can the habit of lifelong participation in sport be developed. Young people are central to the work of the Sports Council for Wales and encouraging more young people to get active and stay active will ultimately create a healthier Wales.



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- Overall participation rates stand at 57%. However, widespread regional variations still remain. The Rural North has the highest levels of adults participating in at least one activity at 69%, whereas there is a sizeable fall to 45% for the Valleys;
- Encouragingly, the long term trend suggests that the gap between men's and women's participation in sport is slowly closing. 63% of men have taken part in at least one activity compared to 51% of women;
- 72% of young people have taken part in extra-curricular sport over the last year, with levels of participation being inversely related to school year. The older the pupil, the less likely they are to have taken part. When considering participation in club based activities, this pattern is again evident, although less pronounced. Overall, 73% of young people have participated in some club based activity over the past year;
- 80% of children aged 7-11 years old have taken part in extra-curricular sport within the last year according to the latest survey conducted in 2002. Participation rates among girls had risen by 4% to 79% and among boys by 1% to 80% since 2000, making the gender gap negligible;
- Moderate intensity exercise of at least 30 minutes duration on five days of the week is believed necessary to promote and maintain health under current guidelines. The 2002/3 survey was recently completed and preliminary analysis on activity levels shows that currently, 30% of adults in Wales up to the age of 65 undertake enough exercise to satisfy these guidelines. However, 16% of adults report never undertaking 30 minutes of exercise.

Today only 18% of children undertake enough exercise to meet current guidelines for promoting and maintaining health; one hour of moderate intensity exercise on every day of the week. The average child undertakes an hour of moderate intensity exercise on four days of the week. The Council's new strategic framework to be launched in 2005 will offer solutions to significantly increasing this figure.





Case Study

Dragon Sport Breathing Fire into Flintshire

Flintshire's boasting about the success of Dragon Sport in the area – and so it should. All 65 primary schools have signed up to the extra-curricular programme, along with three special schools.

Since the scheme's launch in 2000, more than 200 clubs have been set up and more than 300 volunteers have been recruited across the county. The Flintshire Dragon Sport coordinator is delighted that 100% of primary schools have already come on board. The most noticeable booms have been seen in athletics and hockey.

Thanks to Dragon Sport, more and more primary schools are running after-school clubs and have access to basic equipment. The skills of running, jumping and throwing are not only essential to athletics, but to all sports.



Disability Sport Cymru – Boccia Blasters

Boccia is a game, similar to Petanque or Bowls, that has a strong participation base within disability sport world wide. Although it can be played by anybody, it is mainly for those with restricted mobility, such as those with cerebral palsy and muscular dystrophy.

Through Disability Sport Cymru, a new sub-regional boccia club for people with disabilities was launched. The grant will be used to hire facilities, pay initial coaching fees, send coaches on courses to ensure sustainability and purchase the equipment needed in order to start up the club.

Teaching the Teachers a Lesson

A Wrexham school was head over heels recently when a top gymnastics coach arrived to show primary school teachers how to deliver a gymnastics class.

Mitch Fenner – who is also a BBC commentator – visited Ysgol Rhiwabon and soon got teachers to put their best foot forward.

The aim of the course was to boost the confidence of the teachers to deliver gymnastics within their school and ultimately to raise the standards of the children taking part in PE. The project is part of the PE and School Sport programme that is managed by the Sports Council for Wales and funded by the Welsh Assembly Government.

An officer has been posted in each Local Authority in Wales to improve the delivery of PE, making it more innovative, and encouraging joint working and sharing of resources between schools and colleges.

CREATING NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARTICIPATION

Dragon Sport

The aim of Dragon Sport is to increase extra-curricular participation and sports club membership amongst those aged 7-11. In addition, the scheme aims to increase the number of parents and volunteers available to help run sports activities. Twenty-two coordinators are in place to deliver the scheme across Wales and the impact can be clearly seen.

- Dragon Sport is consolidating on its good practice and successes so far, and continues to reach more and more schools and young children;
- A total of 1,032 schools are now part of the scheme and 73,000 children took part last year;
- The scheme continues to be acclaimed by all as one of the most successful Council initiatives;
- 240 community clubs have joined Dragon Sport;
- Over 1,500 teachers and 1,200 parents/volunteers have been trained to deliver Dragon Sport programmes.

Disability Sport Cymru

The Sports Council for Wales supports the Federation of Disability Sport Wales to manage Disability Sport Cymru, a development scheme that aims to create and/or develop new and existing clubs to increase participation among disabled people. Funding has been made available to each of the 22 local authorities for the employment of a part-time development officer to establish a club scheme at community level. This scheme continues to deliver highly successful results, exceeding targets on a consistent basis, resulting in increasing numbers of clubs, leaders and volunteers, with the subsequent increase in opportunities. Key successes include:

- 49 new club development schemes established;
- 166 new coaches and 353 new volunteers recruited;
- 10,620 new participants and 2,484 active sports club members;
- 48 new competitions.



PE & School Sport

The Sports Council for Wales has been given the responsibility for implementing the Welsh Assembly Government's PE & School Sport (PESS) Action Plan for Wales. PESS aims to improve school sport provision through proactive partnerships with local authorities. The Council is advised by its PE and School Sport Advisory Committee, which includes representatives from BAALPE, ESTYN, Welsh Local Government Association, Welsh Council for School Sports, Universities Council for the Education of Teachers and ACCAC. Schools benefit from being involved in a national programme with a high profile that has a clear direction in bringing about change.

- there are now 30 PESS Development Centres in place and coordinators employed in each local authority;
- 22 PESS coordinators have been appointed along with four support officers through Higher Education institutions;
- consultants have been appointed to prepare plans for Continuing Professional Development and Initial Teacher Education and Training.





Case Study

'Fit and Hip' Programme

With the help of funding from the Sports Council for Wales, a 'Fit & Hip' programme has been developed by Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council's Physical Activity and Sports Services department to help address a number of concerns about sports provision in the County Borough; in particular limited opportunities and low sports participation levels by females, and the knock-on health issues.

Targeting 13-17 year old girls, the project highlights the benefits of participating in sport and recreation through the delivery of taster sessions at comprehensive school sites and youth clubs. The range of activities includes girls' football, tennis coaching, 'fit 2 dance', 'keep fit and healthy', water polo and badminton.

Additionally, the Authority consults with members to identify any other activities in which they would like to participate and to refer them to the nearest provision, or if demand allows, to provide additional sessions. The project has been a great success with five hundred 13-17 year olds enrolled on the programme.



Kanokwai Judo Club

Kanokwai Judo Club was set up in West Cross Community Centre, Mumbles, by two young girls, as they saw the provision for judo in the area was poor. They applied for Community Chest funding for initial start up costs and new judo suits, and coach education fees to ensure sustainability. The club is now going from strength to strength and provides a thriving range of activities for the community.

Holyhead Celts Basketball Club

The Club received a lottery grant to employ a part-time basketball development officer. The success of this initiative speaks for itself. After three years 300 young people are regularly playing basketball across Anglesey and there are 10 new clubs and 20 new coaches.

Eight girls and two boys have been chosen for the Wales U16 team and two girls in the Wales Senior Team. A further investment was made to install outdoor posts at key locations across the Island.

ACTIVE COMMUNITIES – TARGETING AREAS OF GREATEST NEED

Many areas of Wales are characterised by large pockets of social and economic deprivation. These are predominantly in the coalfield areas of South and North East Wales and in areas where traditional industries, eg steel, coal and slate have disappeared. In 1999, the Sports Council for Wales set up the Social Inclusion in Sport initiative to target these areas. The aim of this initiative is to encourage and support the development of projects that significantly improve access to sporting opportunities for excluded local communities and groups. Projects have to be based in recognised areas of significant deprivation.

There are no fixed guidelines on maximum levels of funding. A flexible approach is adopted, including capital and revenue packages and support for initial groundwork and development costs; all subject to an assurance of long term sustainability.

The Social Inclusion Forum recommended that future work focuses on the following priority areas:

- North Gwynedd
- Rhondda Cynon Taff
- Caerphilly
- South Llanelli in Carmarthenshire
- The Upper Afan Valley in Neath Port Talbot.



Case Study

Llanidloes Ladies Football Club

The senior ladies club applied for funding to establish an under 14s girls team as they had no provision for juniors to cater for the demand.

A Community Chest grant of £750 was used to buy the equipment needed to establish the team and to send members on coach education courses to ensure

development and sustainability. After this scheme proved successful, the club applied for a second grant to establish an under 12s girls side to complement the under 14s with an aim to enter both teams in the new U12s and U14s league. The second award of £697 also allowed the club to buy football kit for the under 14s team, which was not included in the first scheme.

West Rhyl Community Association

The Association received an Inclusion Forum award towards the employment of a sports development worker to encourage the use of a new multi-use games area in Gordon Avenue, Rhyl.

The first year proved very successful, with local boys and girls regularly participating in football, basketball and in-line hockey. As well as organising the activities, the development worker is supporting seven volunteer helpers,

some of whom will hopefully soon qualify as coaches.

Work is underway for Year 2 of the project that will expand to include golf, cycling and tennis, by forming links with local community clubs.



Dragonheart turn Dancing Divas

Dragonheart – a four piece, up-and-coming Welsh girl band – may be able to boast of touring with the likes of Blue, Busted and Atomic Kitten. However, the band regards spearheading the Girls First aerobic dance

scheme in Caerphilly as one of the highlights of their busy year. The Girls First initiative has provided funding to Welsh secondary schools to provide girls with a new extra-curricular activity to keep them fit and healthy. Caerphilly Sports Development Unit was among the first to take full advantage of the available funding by working in tandem with Music Wales and local schools to develop after-school aerobic dance clubs.

The scheme has gone from strength to strength in the town since it began in November 2003. Over 750 girls, aged 7-17, from eight different schools, have passed through the doors to join the girls from Dragonheart in pulsating, exhilarating dance sessions that prove just how fit you have to be to be in a band!

GRASS ROOTS FUNDING FOR SPORT

SPORTLOT Capital

SPORTLOT Capital uses lottery money to improve the facility base at both a local and national level. Supporting and underpinning development programme work, capital funding has provided Wales with many new and improved facilities and the Council has used the scheme strategically to target areas of greatest need. The fundamental principles underpinning the distribution of money for capital projects at a local level have been to ensure:

- lasting and maximum sport and community development benefits;
- value for money;
- benefits for the areas and projects identified as having the greatest recreational, sporting and financial need.

Over the last year, SPORTLOT capital funding has enabled 54 awards to be made. A full list of projects supported appears in Part 2 of the Report.

Community Chest

Community Chest is a lottery funded grants scheme delivered locally in partnership with local authorities in Wales. Described by the Secretary of State for Culture Media & Sport as a 'model small grant scheme', the focus of Community Chest is to devolve decision making for projects below £750 to a local level, so that funding is targeted at the areas of greatest need. It is specifically designed to help develop sport at grass roots level, particularly for young people, women and girls and disadvantaged groups.

The scheme was set up in April 1999, with the formation of Community Chest committees in all 22 local authorities in Wales. Each committee is made up of between 12-15 members, of which three can represent the local authority. The rest of the committee is made up of local people with knowledge of sport in the area.

Since its inception, there have been over 7,000 offers made totalling over £4,409,602. This has benefited 80 different sports.

- 1,615 awards were made in 2003/4 benefiting 13,703 females and 17,254 male participants;
- 3,234 coaches were supported through the scheme.



Minor Grants

Aimed at 'plugging the gap' between Community Chest and the larger Capital scheme, support is offered to projects that create new, additional or improved opportunities to play sport.

- to date, 92 awards have been made totalling £437,145;
- the number of projects proposing to benefit women and girls has been significant, with 71% of the beneficiaries of the projects supported identified as women;
- there has also been a considerable increase in the number of coaches and leaders being trained as an integral part of the minor grants supported.

Girls First

Aiming to increase girls' participation in secondary schools, 'Girls First' supports new and innovative sporting projects for girls.

- 173 schools applied for funding to develop new activities for 16,520 girls to engage in different sporting activities in the school environment.

Leisure Centre Challenge

The Leisure Centre Challenge is an innovative scheme to provide opportunities for women and girls in the community. It is designed to encourage leisure centre managers to provide new opportunities for women and girls to participate in their centres.

- 126 leisure centres have applied for funding during the year to develop new activities for women and girls.

LOCAL LEVEL ACHIEVEMENTS AND TARGETS

Initiative	1999/0	2000/1	2001/2	2002/3	2003/4
No. of Junior Club Developments*	(132) 128	(132) 163	(243) 243	(323) 294	(388) 356
Dragon Sport PIs: Number of schemes in primary schools – number of clubs established	n/a	(120) 229	(350) 593	(600) 773	(440) 1509
Disability Sport PIs: No. of clubs catering for People with Disabilities (new clubs p.a)	n/a	(22) 35	(30) 37	(30) 33	(44) 49
No. of COLDs	(193) 184	(165) 173	(165) 268	(165) 339	(339) 330
No. of COREs	(48) 48	(52) 43	(52) 104	(55) 117	(122) 160
No. of Community Chest schemes supported	n/a	n/a	(1200) 1457	(1200) 1538	(1200) 1615
Capital: Applications p.a. (2002/3 includes CIP)	(105) 100	(105) 96	(110) 153	(150) 209	(100) 41
Capital: Awards p.a. (2002/3 includes CIP)	(82) 66	(58) 54	(60) 66	(40) 75	(50 part 1 and 50 part 2) 34 and 54
Capital Schemes Monitored	n/a	n/a	(60)	(35) 32	(35) 93
Number of Girls First School Awards p.a.	n/a	n/a	(110) 144	(180) 178	(190) 173

Key:
PI = Performance Indicator

COLD = Centres of Local Development

CORE = Centre of Regional Excellence

CIP = Community Investment Programme

() = Targets

* Cumulative Targets



SPORTSMATCH CYMRU

Sportsmatch Cymru provides a vital link between the commercial sector and the development of grass roots sport. The scheme offers sports clubs and governing bodies support with initiatives that increase grass roots sports participation, by matching '£ for £' investment by the private sector.

- During 2003/4 a total of 131 projects were supported with 25 individual sports being allocated £432,175 of the Sportsmatch Cymru budget. Football (38 awards - £136,148), Rugby (9 awards - £62,450) and Athletics (7 awards - £40,900) were the projects with the largest number of awards. £380,760 was paid in grants against the 2003/4 budget and £51,415.50 was committed against the 2004/5 budget.

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Tennis Wales

Tennis Wales first launched its City Tennis Initiative in 2003 and the scheme has proved to be a great success.

Tennis Wales were successful in convincing the Lawn Tennis Association that its City Tennis programme, aimed at deprived inner city areas, was desperately needed in the Welsh valleys. It then developed a partnership with Rhondda Cynon Taff to launch a City

Tennis Development scheme around the borough's three existing affiliated clubs. Sponsorship was secured from Sunjuice, which was matched '£ for £' by the Sportsmatch Cymru scheme.

The programme is set to expand and to incorporate a disability programme. The local authority is also building on the work being undertaken in the clubs and staging schools programmes that will link into club activity.



Pant and Dowlais Boys and Girls Club

The club is located in a socially deprived area of Merthyr Tydfil. In an attempt to fund its various activities, and with support from the Sportsmatch Cymru Scheme, they have been successful in securing seven separate sponsors.

The club has made a major impact in the area and was successful in lobbying the local Council to allow them to take control of a derelict pumphouse, for which they raised funds to turn this into a thriving community sports and recreation centre. Among its many activities, the Club has girls and boys football teams and netball teams, of varying age groups. Many of the older club members have undergone coach education courses and now coach the younger members.

SPORTSMATCH CYMRU DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTY 2003/4

	Number of awards	Value of awards £	Percentage of number of awards	Percentage of value of awards
Anglesey	1	500	0.77	0.12
Blaenau Gwent	2	1,300	1.54	0.30
Bridgend	3	1,500	2.31	0.35
Caerphilly	6	13,709	4.61	3.19
Cardiff	10	24,950	7.69	5.81
Carmarthenshire	3	2,500	2.31	0.58
Ceredigion	3	7,300	2.31	1.70
Conwy	2	1,600	1.54	0.37
Denbighshire	5	4,242	3.85	0.99
Flintshire	3	2,000	2.31	0.47
Gwynedd	6	7,850	4.61	1.83
Merthyr Tydfil	7	18,660	5.38	4.34
Monmouthshire	2	2,000	1.54	0.47
Neath Port Talbot	6	8,000	4.61	1.86
Newport	6	30,500	4.61	7.10
Pembrokeshire	12	19,489	9.16	4.51
Powys	6	32,000	4.61	7.45
Rhondda Cynon Taff	2	16,702	1.54	3.89
Swansea	3	7,200	2.31	1.68
Torfaen	0	0	0	0
Vale of Glamorgan	6	15,270	4.61	3.55
Wrexham	2	1,000	1.54	0.23
Regional	7	22,250	5.38	5.18
Wales-wide	28	191,653	21.54	44.60

Case Study

Lloyd Upsdell has been an international athlete since the age of 15, debuting in August 1998 and becoming European Champion in both the 100 and 200m.

Lloyd won two gold medals at the Sydney 2000 Paralympics in the 100m and 200m and holds the world record in both events.

Training at the Welsh Institute of Sport, Lloyd has benefited from the services available through the Federation of Disability Sport Wales and Élite Cymru.



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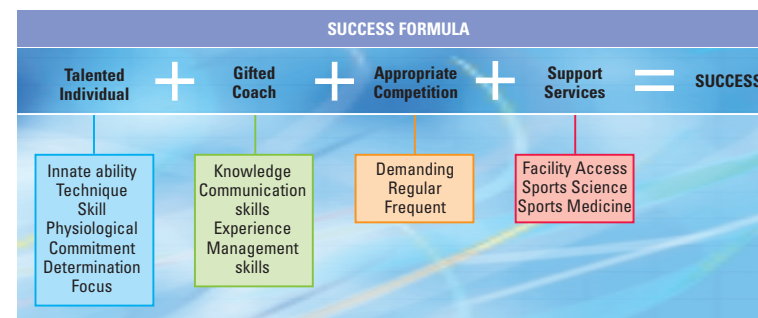
Lloyd Upsdell 2003

A SUCCESSFUL SPORTING NATION

“WALES NEEDS TO SUCCEED SYSTEMATICALLY AT THE HIGHEST INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WHERE IT MATTERS MOST TO THE PEOPLE OF WALES.”

‘Climbing Higher’ – July 2003

The Sports Council for Wales promotes excellence through supporting the effective organisation of sport at all levels. It also aims to identify, nurture and develop talented individuals and teams through focused partnerships. Sport in Wales can be seen to lift the spirit of the Nation as well as increasing its standing on a world stage and the Council is at the forefront of developments to improve elite sport in Wales.



Modernising Governing Bodies

The Sports Council for Wales provides a wide range of support services to assist Governing Bodies in achieving financial and organisational stability. A new partnership approach has been developed to financing Governing Bodies, which provides longer term funding commitments of four years, giving them greater ownership.

The UK Sport publication ‘Investing in Change’, challenged Governing Bodies to modernise their operations. Over the past 12 months, the Council has been working with sports to develop ‘Investors in Change’ action plans. UK Sport funding of



£180,000 will support the management of change within these Governing Bodies. The primary aim is for Governing Bodies to increase income and broaden the base of their income sources, therefore becoming more self sufficient and significantly enhancing current work.

NATIONAL LEVEL ACHIEVEMENTS AND TARGETS					
	1999/0	2000/1	2001/2	2002/3	2003/4
Number of NGB staff supported (excluding Coach Cymru coaches)	(75) 75	(75) 83	(83) 63*	(68) 75	(68) 77
% of NGBs achieving self-sufficiency in core programmes	(90**) 81**	(100**) n/a	(90**) n/a	(90**) 88*	(90**) 91*
No. on Élite Cymru	(120) 138	(120) 151	(130) 188	(140) 167	(150) 167
No. of Élite Cymru athletes receiving Sports Science support	(75) 75	(75) 89	(85) 105	(85) 99	(90) 109
WIS: No. of hours use by NGBs	(16,000) 17,318	(17,500) 24,410	(36,000) 35,899	(20,000) 20,095	(20,000) 19,492
Net running cost (£000s)	(89) 108	(123) 106	(170) 170	(170) 107	(170) 158
Plas Menai: Total student days	(17,715) 16,312	(17,715) 17,481	(17,500) 19,843	(17,500) 20,665	(20,000) 20,230
No. of NGB coaching awards	(1,995) 1,938	(1,939) 2,017	(2,050) 2,799	(2,050) 3,221	(2,200) 3,094
Net running cost (£000s)	(141) 150	(141) 168	(141) 130	(141) 146	(141) 138

Note. () = Targets
*Figures now in full time equivalent
** applies to governing bodies of competitive sports
n/a = not available
NGB = National Governing Body



Case Study

Wales National Veledrome Newport

In September 2003, the new Wales National Velodrome was completed in Newport. Funded with lottery money, the Velodrome is a state-of-the-art facility that includes a 250m cycling track, indoor sports arena, sports science facilities, fitness suite and ancillary facilities. There is also a 4.2m wide closed road circuit outside. The official opening was held in November 2003, which included a British Cycling track meeting.



PROVIDING WORLD CLASS FACILITIES

“THE WALES NATIONAL POOL IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SWIMMING IN WALES. THE NEW POOL WILL PUT US ON A PAR WITH OTHER COUNTRIES ALL OVER THE WORLD.”

Bethan Coole – Swimmer

Since 1992, the National Lottery has funded many new sports facilities of national significance in Wales. These include flagship facilities such as the National Indoor Athletic Centre, Wales National Pool Swansea, Cwmbrian Stadium and the Cricket Centre of Excellence. Through SPORTLOT Capital, the Council has ensured that competitors and Governing Bodies have access to world class facilities at both a local and national level, to assist in their performance and excellence plans.

During the year, the new Wales National Velodrome was opened in Newport providing a flagship facility for the development of elite cyclists in Wales.

Lottery money has ensured that Welsh competitors can now develop their skills in Wales rather than having to travel further afield.



“COMPETITORS AND STAFF WERE VERY IMPRESSED BY THE PROFESSIONALISM OF STAFF AT THE FACILITY....THIS WAS THE BEST CHAMPIONSHIPS TO DATE.”

*Lyndon Williams Director of Badminton - Welsh Badminton Union
World Disabled Badminton Championships 2003*

The Welsh Institute of Sport

UKSI Cymru is a network of world class facilities and expertise that supports the most talented of our sports men and women. The Welsh Institute of Sport (WIS) is effectively the nerve centre of UKSI Cymru and as a result its role is becoming much more focused on its primary business. It is anticipated that this role will continue to evolve and that greater use will be made of WIS by elite athletes, with greater specialisation of facility areas required.

- The Institute remains the only centre in the United Kingdom to hold British Olympic Association recognition as a training centre for three sports – badminton (2001), judo (2002) and table tennis (1995).
- 19,492 hours of facility time was allocated to provide governing bodies with national facilities for training and competition.
- The centre was awarded the Charter Mark for the third time with the assessor commenting that the centre "fulfils its remit in helping excellence in Welsh Sport"; that "the staff are committed and enthusiastic to the aims of the service" and that "resources are used to maximum effect".
- With a QUEST 'Highly Commended' score of 75%, the Institute ranks in the top 5% of 425 centres currently registered. Mystery customer visit scores are also up an average of 5% from last year and now stand 9% above the industry average.
- The Institute held successful major events such as the World Disabled Badminton Championships, the GB hockey trials, the Four Nations Senior Boxing Championships, the Great Britain Wheelchair Basketball Association tournament and the Welsh Snooker Open.
- The Institute retained its status as an Institute of Qualified Lifeguards Approved Centre which allows the holding of Royal Life Saving Society UK National Pool Lifeguard Qualifications training and examinations on site.
- The Institute is the national training centre for 16 sports.



Awarded for excellence

Plas Menai National Watersports Centre

Plas Menai has a UK-wide reputation for excellence. It has recently renewed the 'Charter Mark' award from Government for excellence in public service. Plas Menai remains closely involved in the continued development of Pwllheli as a major competition venue and has productive relationships with the National Canoe Centre in Bala and the National Centre for Mountaineering and Outdoor pursuits at Plas-y-Brenin.

- Over the year, 20,200 student days of coach education, personal proficiency and watersport programmes were offered.
- The centre continued to offer the widest range of watersports activities available in Britain, attracting participants from all over Wales, the rest of Britain and beyond.
- New long term instructor training programmes were brought on line, including professional yachtmaster programmes.
- Centre staff have made a significant contribution to Welsh Yachting programmes and provided coach support, leading to two Welsh sailors becoming junior and youth world champions and a number of Welsh sailors achieving distinction in British sailing.
- During the year the centre was satisfactorily re-inspected by the Adventure Activity Licencing Authority, Wales Tourist Board, Royal Yachting Association, Welsh Canoe Association and the Marine and Coast Agency.



Awarded for excellence



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Coaching

At a national level, the Sports Council for Wales works closely with national governing bodies of sport, SportsCoach UK, and Institutes of Higher and Further Education to provide a wide range of training opportunities for coaches. It also plays a central role in implementing national policies at regional and local level by supporting other initiatives linked to club development.

Through Coach Cymru, the Council continues to develop coaches to meet the needs of sport at a regional and national level. In 2003/4, awards were made directly to 21 governing bodies of sport. The size of awards ranged from £2,194 to £180,000. Funds for 21 full-time equivalent coach appointments were committed up to a four year period. Funding is provided for the training, support and employment of the coaches with a view to providing quality coaching for national squads. A full list of coaches supported is included in Part 2 of the report.

Jamie Baulch was one of the first ever members of Élite Cymru and has represented Great Britain and Wales at the highest level. In 1996, Jamie won a silver medal in the 4 x 400m for Great Britain at the Atlanta Olympics. Jamie has also won medals in the Commonwealth Games for Wales, winning silver and bronze in the 4 x 400m in Manchester and Kuala Lumpur respectively.

“I FEEL VERY HONOURED TO HAVE BEEN PART OF THE ÉLITE CYMRU SCHEME. IT ENABLED ME TO BECOME ONE OF THE BEST IN THE WORLD.”

Jamie Baulch 2004





Élite Cymru

Élite Cymru is a lottery funded programme that is built around the concept of a 'competitor centred' approach. The scheme is designed to help provide comprehensive support to the country's top competitors, helping them to compete with distinction on the world stage. Élite Cymru members are provided with:

- financial support;
- medical and sports science support;
- strength and conditioning support;
- career and education advice;
- facilities for training - BOA National Passport Scheme;
- employment opportunities.

During 2003/4, 167 performers received financial support from Élite Cymru (a full list of competitors supported can be found in Part 2). Additionally, over 178 performers received sports science, sports medicine, career and educational support. Thirty-five members of Élite Cymru have been assisted towards inclusion in UK World Class Performance Plans.

Lottery Funding has directly contributed to many of the successes of Welsh competitors shown below:

ATHLETICS

Jamie Baulch
Gold Medal, European Cup,
4 x 400m. Bronze Medal
400m World Indoor
Championships

Tim Benjamin
Gold Medal European Cup,
4 x 400m

Matt Elias
Gold Medal, European Cup, 4
x 400m

Christian Malcolm
Silver Medal, European Cup,
200m

Hayley Tullett
Silver Medal, European Cup,
3,000m. Bronze Medal, World
Championships 1,500m

Rhys Williams
Winner, European Junior
Championships, 400m hurdles

BADMINTON

Kelly Morgan
Winner, US Open, Female
Singles

BOWLING
John Price
Second, World Indoor
Championships

BOXING
Kevin Evans
Winner, Tammer Cup Multi
Nations

**Darren Edwards & Matthew
Edmond**
Bronze, Tammer Cup Multi
Nations

CYCLING

Nicole Cooke
Winner, Senior Ladies World
Cup Road Race Series. Bronze
at World Road Race
Championships

Geraint Thomas
Second x 2, Junior World
Track Championships
Third x 2, Junior World Track
Championships

DISABILITY – ATHLETICS

Tracy Hinton
Winner, IBSA World Games,
800m & 400m

Tanni Grey-Thompson
Winner, IPC European
Championships, 100m, 200m,
400m

Lloyd Upstell
Second, IPC European
Championships, 200m

Élite Cymru Commercial Partnerships

Commercial partnerships are an important element of the Élite Cymru promotional strategy. These partnerships provide added value to the support offered to competitors, and during 2003, official partnership agreements were signed with two companies who will provide specialist support to competitors.



Official Supplier
of MRI Services

Sports Science and Sports Medicine

The Sports Science and Medicine Support Service enables Governing Bodies and elite competitors to access appropriate sports science and medicine support. The service aims to improve the level of elite performance by providing physiology, psychology, strength and conditioning, nutrition, biomechanics, performance analysis and sports medical support to individual competitors and teams.



Official Supplier of
Podiatry and
Biomechanical Services

Over the past year, 34 Governing Bodies and 160 Élite Cymru members have been in receipt of support. Additional nutritional support has been provided to individuals and squads from 12 Governing Bodies.

DISABILITY – EQUESTRIAN

Nicola Tustain
Winner x 2, IPC World
Championships, Belgium,
3 disciplines in Dressage

DISABILITY – POWERLIFTING
Emma Brown
Winner, IPC European
Championships

DISABILITY – SWIMMING
Rhiannon Henry
Winner, IBSA World Games,
100m Butterfly, 200m, 400m
800m Freestyle

Nyree Lewis
Winner, Canadian Open
International, 200m IM

David Roberts
Winner, German Open
Championships, 100m
Freestyle

DISABILITY – TABLE TENNIS

Neil Roberston
Winner, IPC European
Championships, Team, and
Spanish Open, Team

FENCING
David Mansour
Winner, Mens Foil, British
Senior National
Championships

GOLF
Nigel Edwards
Winner, Walker Cup,
GB & I v USA

Stuart Manley
Winner, Walker Cup,
GB & I v USA

Bradley Dredge
Winner, Madeira Open
European Event

Rhys Davies
Winner, British Boys Open
Amateur Golf Championship

LADIES GOLF

Becky Brewerton
Winner, Vagliano Trophy, GB
& I Europe

Anna Highgate
Selected for GB & Ireland
Team

ROWING
Tom James
Bronze Medal, Rowing 8+
World Championships

SAILING
Hannah Mills
World Optimist Champion

David Evans
Winner 29er World
Championships

SNOOKER
David John
Winner, European
Championships, Men's Singles

SQUASH

Tegwen Malik
Winner, Savcor Finnish Open
Final

David Evans
Winner, Qatar Classic

SURF LIFE SAVING
Alisa Cullen
Winner, European
Championships

SWIMMING
David Davies
Winner, European Junior
Championships, 1,500m
Freestyle

TABLE TENNIS
Ryan Jenkins
Winner, British Grand Prix
event, GB & I v USA

WEIGHTLIFTING
Michaela Breeze
Bronze Medal, European
Championships 58kg Class

Case Study

Jacqui Stephens was identified through the Heart Attack programme as requiring assistance and has been attending the Heart Health classes organised by Rhondda Cynon Taff. The classes have turned her life around and prior to attending Jacqui couldn't climb the stairs without being out of breath.

Now Jacqui has become a regular gym attendee, has joined the 'Just Women and Girls' class at Tonyrefail and is looking for further opportunities to enjoy a healthy and active lifestyle.

"I was into everything when I was in school and college, but as soon as I left, I left the lifestyle as well. They say life begins at forty and I say – only if you let it go that far!"



“THEY SAY LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY AND I SAY – ONLY IF YOU LET IT GO THAT FAR!”

Jacqui Stephens, Tonyrefail

SPORT FOR ALL

“‘CLIMBING HIGHER’ IDENTIFIES THOSE GROUPS IN WALES THAT ARE LEAST ACTIVE: THE SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED; WOMEN; PEOPLE FROM ETHNIC MINORITY COMMUNITIES; MIDDLE AGED MEN; PEOPLE WITH CLINICAL CONDITIONS; DISABLED AND OLDER PEOPLE. THESE VERY GROUPS HAVE THE MOST TO GAIN FROM PHYSICAL ACTIVITY.”

‘Climbing Higher’ – July 2003

Women and Girls in Sport

The Sports Council for Wales has made a major commitment to ring fence up to £500,000 of SPORTLOT funding specifically to support the development of women and girls sport. This funding will be distributed to local and national organisations that can create more opportunities in sport for women and girls. Two initiatives currently focus on women's and girls' sport:

- **Leisure Centre Challenge:** launched in 2003, the scheme provides new opportunities for women and girls. It is designed to encourage leisure centre managers to provide new opportunities for women and girls to participate in their centres;
- **Fit-In:** The Fit-in promotional campaign promotes the benefits of active lifestyles to women. The Fit-in website has proved extremely successful, with 305,000 website hits in year one. Over 7,400 column centimetres of press coverage has been generated directly through the campaign. Several important partnerships have been developed with health organisations such as the British Heart Foundation, the Stroke Association and Cancer Research UK. Governing bodies of sport and Unitary Authorities are important in ensuring opportunities for participation are available to follow up the interest generated. Ongoing evaluation of the campaign will monitor public awareness.



Social Inclusion

In line with the Government's Social Inclusion Programmes for Wales, funding schemes such as SPORTLOT Capital, Community Chest, Sportsmatch Cymru and Minor Grants ensure that priority is given to those areas where there is greatest need.

The Sports Council for Wales advocates a multi-agency approach in the area of social inclusion. Sport can be an effective tool for reintegrating socially excluded people into mainstream community activities and social inclusion is at the forefront of all funding decisions. The Council's aim is to encourage and support the development of projects that significantly improve access to sporting opportunities for excluded local communities and groups.

The Social Inclusion in Sport fund, established by the Sports Council for Wales in 1999, has been used to support sports projects for young people in economically disadvantaged areas. Over £5million has been invested in Communities First areas.



Case Study

Port Talbot Tigers Football Club

A Community Chest grant of £719 was used to purchase football kit, balls equipment, first aid kit and to send an individual on a coaching course in order to establish a new team in the Zebra Sunday football league.

Although the members of the new team were mainly from a Bangladeshi background, the team welcomed individuals from all backgrounds and focused on promoting integration within the Port Talbot community through football.

Black and Minority Ethnic Communities

The Sports Council for Wales believes that providing equal opportunities for ethnic minorities is an integral part of its social inclusion agenda. The Council encourages partner organisations to embody equal opportunity principles via its policies and funding scheme requirements. Regular monitoring of ethnic minorities participation in funded schemes is undertaken and the Council applies an Equal Opportunities Policy and requires all facilities to be open to all.

Over the last year, the Council has worked with a number of partners such as the Commission for Racial Equality and Race Equality Councils to ensure that ethnic minorities have access to sporting opportunities. A Race Equality Scheme has now been published as part of the Council's commitment to this area of work. The Council has ring fenced a lottery funded budget to proactively support work in this area.

	Received	Funded
Funding applications from minority groups	3	3
	Received	Appointed
Job applications from ethnic minorities	10	1

Case Study

Boys & Girls Clubs of Wales

The Council has entered into a partnership with the Boys and Girls Club of Wales to employ local development workers in the areas of Merthyr Tydfil, Neath Port Talbot and Rhondda Cynon Taff. The aim of these posts is to strengthen the delivery of sport in the community through the Boys and Girls club network, particularly in areas of disadvantage, with a focus on providing new and additional opportunities for girls. The Council is linking the work undertaken by the Boys and Girls Club with other youth and sport strategies.



Partnerships

Delivering healthy levels of mass participation and achieving success in sport as envisaged in 'Climbing Higher' will need the involvement of a wide range of stakeholders.

Partnership working is fundamental to the goal of increasing participation in physical activity and sport. As a national agency, the Council relies on our partners at both the national and local level to effect change. The modern approach to policy development tends to focus on broad 'cross-cutting' agendas such as health and well-being, sustainable development, social inclusion, mainstreaming the Welsh language and equal opportunities. During the year, the Council has been engaged in strategic partnerships at national and local level and our front-line staff work closely with traditional and new partners for shared goals.

“THE WELSH LANGUAGE IS AN ESSENTIAL AND ENDURING COMPONENT IN THE HISTORY, CULTURE AND SOCIAL FABRIC OF OUR NATION.”

*Rhodri Morgan AM First Minister
Iaith Pawb – 2003*

Mainstreaming the Welsh Language

Since 1998, the Sports Council for Wales has adopted the principle that, in the conduct of public business in Wales, it will treat the English and Welsh languages on a basis of equality. In line with the Welsh Assembly Government's 'Iaith Pawb' strategy published in 2003, the Council has identified strategic objectives for developing the language rather than simply reporting annually on achievements against key performance indicators.

A 'Mainstreaming' document supported by the Welsh Language Board was published in 2003 and details key strategic objectives in language provision for the 2004/5 financial year and beyond. It aims to complement and not replace the bilingual principles and processes already published in the Council's Welsh Language Scheme.



Customer Service

The Sports Council for Wales is committed to the delivery of a high standard of service to its customers. To implement the principles of the Citizen's Charter and to ensure continuous improvement by the Sports Council for Wales and its two national centres, challenging and meaningful benchmark targets are set for customer service performance indicators. Targets are monitored on a monthly basis and results displayed publicly at both national centres. Over the past year, critical areas have consistently recorded compliance within 5% of targets.

Corporate Plan Summary – 2005-2007

The 2005-2007 Sports Council for Wales Corporate Plan comes at a time of change, when the Welsh Assembly Government's 'Climbing Higher' Strategy has set the strategic direction for sport and physical activity in Wales.

'Climbing Higher' articulates much **broader expectations** for public funding of sport and physical activity in the context of the Assembly's strategic agenda and other strategic policies for **health, older people, social inclusion, etc.**

Our approach has been to reassess the contribution of our existing work against the new agenda to **build on the strengths** of successful activities such as Dragon Sport and to identify programmes that can meet the challenges of the new direction.

The Sports Council for Wales has identified alternative uses for existing funding and, more significantly, proposes a range of **new opportunities** to begin to play a part in tackling falling levels of physical activity and increasing obesity.

Our current strategic goals for participation in sport will be broadened to focus on the internationally accepted targets for **delivering the health benefits** of physical activity of **5x30** (five occasions of at least 30 minutes of moderate physical activity a week for adults and **5x60** for children).



Innovative proposals include:

- the mainstreaming of Dragon Sport for primary schools into Grant in Aid funding and its extension into the secondary school sport age group;
- development of the Assembly's 'Free Swimming' initiative and extension to older people;
- exploiting the outdoors and the natural facilities on our doorsteps;
- a new focus on social inclusion to ensure access to all;
- appropriate partnership work with Further and Higher Education establishments;
- research programmes to better understand the change mechanisms needed to change attitudes and deliver the health benefits;
- developing the resources and volunteers to deliver at local community level;
- building the pathways for those who wish to represent Wales on the international sports stage, Élite Cymru scheme and new coaching plans;
- refurbishment of the Welsh Institute of Sport;
- a robust long term social marketing plan to change attitudes to physical activity and develop an active for life culture.

To achieve this we will need to change our role from the current grant giving and management focus to one of a **developmental agency role** to ensure that the benefits of funding are maximised.

The Council cannot work in isolation and new and appropriate partnerships will be essential. We will establish our role clearly as **Advocacy, Marketing and Intervention** to recognise and support others who are better able to take the lead role, and to provide the rallying point when programme development and funding are needed.

THE SPORTS COUNCIL FOR WALES AND THE SPORTS COUNCIL FOR WALES TRUST



Summary Financial Statement

This Financial Statement provides a summary of the consolidated accounts of the Sports Council for Wales and the Sports Council for Wales Trust for the financial year ending 31 March 2004. It does not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the results and state of affairs of the Sports Council for Wales and the Sports Council for Wales Trust. For further information the full annual accounts and the auditor's report on those accounts should be consulted. A copy of the audited accounts, which contain the detailed information required by law and under best practice guidelines, can be obtained, free of charge, from the Head of Finance at Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, CF11 9SW.

Statutory Background

The Sports Council for Wales was established by Royal Charter dated 4 February 1972, with the objectives of "fostering the knowledge and practice of sport and physical recreation among the public at large in Wales and the provision of facilities thereto". It is financed by an annual grant-in-aid from the National Assembly for Wales and from income generated from its activities.

Review of the Year and Future Developments

The operating deficit for the year was £796,000 (2002/2003 £1,030,000) after taking into account the grant-in-aid received in the period and applied to revenue purposes of £8,707,000 (2002/03 £8,492,000). An additional element of grant-in-aid amounting to £334,000 (2002/03 £196,000) was applied to the purchase of tangible fixed assets. The retained surplus for the year of £92,000 (2002/03 £173,000) was transferred to reserves. The Council's principal aims are to pursue and undertake policies and schemes aimed at increasing participation and improving performance in sport and physical recreation and, generally, to disseminate information and to promote knowledge of sport and physical recreation in Wales. As well as work carried out directly by its own staff during the year in meeting these aims, the Council also provided facilities through the Welsh Institute of Sport and Plas MENAI National Watersports Centre, and made grants to national and local sports organisations.

The National Lottery Act 1993 (as amended) nominates the Sports Council for Wales as the body responsible for distributing funds generated by the lottery to sport in Wales. In November 1994, the Council launched the Lottery Fund for Sport in Wales, through the creation of a separate and distinct identity: SPORTLOT. Further information regarding the activities of the Council and significant new developments can be found elsewhere within the Annual Report, and SPORTLOT's results are included in the separately prepared accounts for that body.

Council and Trust Members

The Sports Council for Wales members who served in the year are listed on page 1 of the annual report. A register of members' interests is available for public inspection.

The Sports Council for Wales is the Trustee of the Sports Council for Wales Trust, which is managed by a committee consisting of the full Sports Council plus:

Mr G Crimp (Representative of the Welsh Sports Association)
Mr B George (retired September 2003) (Representative of the Welsh Sports Association)

THE STATEMENT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR WALES TO THE SPORTS COUNCIL FOR WALES

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

Auditors

The report by the Auditor General for Wales on the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004 was unqualified.

I have examined the summary financial statement on pages 43-45 which has been prepared in the form and on the basis set out in note 1 on page 44.

Respective responsibilities of the Council, the Chief Executive, and Auditor

The summary financial statement is the responsibility of the Council and the Chief Executive. My responsibility is to report to you my opinion on its preparation and consistency with the full financial statements and foreword. I also read the other information in the Annual Report and consider the implications for my report if I become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summary financial statements.

Basis of Opinion

I have conducted my work in accordance with Bulletin 1999/6 - 'The auditors' statement on the summary financial statement' issued by the Auditing Practices Board for use in the United Kingdom.

Opinion

In my opinion, the summary financial statement is consistent with the full financial statements and foreword of SPORTLOT for the year ended 31 March 2004 and has been properly prepared on the basis set out in note 1 to the summary financial statement.

John Bourn
Auditor General for Wales
13 July 2004

National Audit Office
3-4 Park Place
Cardiff CF10 3D

	2003/2004 £000	2002/2003 £000
INCOME		
Grant in Aid	8,707	8,492
National Sports Centres	2,810	2,852
PE and School Sport	1,000	360
Other Operating Income	<u>566</u>	<u>677</u>
	13,083	12,381
EXPENDITURE		
Sports Development	4,932	5,084
PE and School Sport	1,000	343
Sportsmatch	452	449
National Sports Centres	3,454	3,442
Other Expenditure	<u>4,041</u>	<u>4,093</u>
	13,879	13,411
Operating Deficit	(796)	(1,030)
Surplus on Disposal of Tangible Fixed Assets	4	3
Interest Receivable	6	7
Deficit Before Taxation	<u>(786)</u>	<u>(1,020)</u>
Taxation	(1)	(1)
APPROPRIATIONS		
Adjustment for Notional Cost of Capital	588	952
Transfer from Revaluation Reserve	291	242
Retained Surplus/(Deficit) for the Financial Year	<u>92</u>	<u>173</u>
Chairman's remuneration:		
Mr Gareth Davies to 30 September 2003	17	34
Mr Phil Carling 1 February to 31 March 2004	<u>6</u>	<u>-</u>
Chief Executive's remuneration:		
Dr Huw Jones	<u>70</u>	<u>64</u>
Remuneration of other senior staff	<u>165</u>	<u>195</u>

During the year Mr Gareth Davies resigned as Chairman of the Council on 30 September 2003 and was replaced by Mr Phil Carling on 1 February 2004. For the period 1 October 2003 to 31 January 2004 the post of Chairperson was temporarily covered by the Vice-Chair, Anne Ellis, for which she was paid a salary of £11,168. For the period to 30 September 2003 Mr Gareth Davies was paid a gross salary of £17,130 (2002/2003 £33,504) and a taxable benefit of £0 (2002/2003 £906). For the period 1 February 2004 to 31 March 2004 Mr Phil Carling was paid a gross salary of £5,710. The salary earnings of the Chief Executive comprised a gross salary of £61,464 (2002/2003 £60,108) and a non consolidated bonus of £4,335 (2002/2003 £4,229), with no taxable benefits accruing in this financial year. The non-consolidated bonus for 2002/2003 was paid a year in arrears making the actual salary payment in the year to the Chief Executive £70,028 (2002/2003 £63,940). He has Accounting Officer responsibility for lottery matters and 28% (2002/2003 28%) of his remuneration was recharged to the lottery distribution account. The Director of Finance returned to the National Audit Office from his secondment on 30 June 2003. Other senior staff receive a gross salary only.

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2004

	2004 £000	2003 £000
FIXED ASSETS	17,197	15,817
CURRENT ASSETS	1,322	923
CREDITORS (amounts falling due within one year)	(944)	(639)
NET CURRENT ASSETS	378	284
CREDITORS (amounts falling due after more than one year)	(21)	(19)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES	17,554	16,082
FINANCED BY		
Capital and Reserves	17,554	16,082
	17,554	16,082

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

	2004 £000	2003 £000
Net Cash Inflow/(Outflow) from Operating Activities	97	(127)
Returns on Investment and Servicing of Finance	6	7
Corporation Tax Paid	(1)	(2)
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment	(322)	(174)
Net Cash Outflow before Financing	(220)	(296)
Financing	334	196
Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	<u>114</u>	<u>(100)</u>

Accounting Officer: Dr H G Jones
6 July 2004

Note 1: This summary financial statement has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, having regard to the Companies (Summary Financial Statement) Regulations 1995 (SI 1995/2092) as far as is relevant.

Note 2: Full declaration of Related Party Transactions has been made in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 8 and is detailed in the full financial statements which are available on request.

SPORTS COUNCIL FOR WALES - LOTTERY DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT (SPORTLOT)

Summary Financial Statement

This Financial Statement provides a summary of the accounts prepared for the financial year ending 31 March 2004 in accordance with s35(5) of the National Lottery etc Act 1993 (as amended). The Act nominated the Sports Council for Wales as the body responsible for distributing funds generated by the Lottery to sport in Wales. The duties of SPORTLOT are carried out pursuant to the accounts direction issued by the Secretary of State for Wales, in accordance with Section 26(1) of the 1993 Act.

This summary financial statement does not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the results and state of affairs of SPORTLOT. For further information the full annual accounts and the auditor's report on those accounts should be consulted. A copy of the audited accounts, which have been laid before Parliament and which contain the detailed information required by law and under best practice guidelines, can be obtained, free of charge, from the Head of Finance, Sophia Gardens, Cardiff, CF11 9SW.

Review of the Year and Future Developments

Financial Results

The decrease in funds, after taking account of costs incurred, amounted to £15,677,000 (2002/2003 decrease £7,440,000). This amount was transferred to reserves.

Capital Grants

The fund's principal activities are aimed at increasing participation and improving performance in sport and physical recreation. The Sports Council for Wales introduced its plans for the distribution of lottery funds to capital projects in September 1994. A two stage process is used for all capital applications. The first stage of the application enables the initial focus to be more on the added benefits to sport and the aims, objectives and proposed management of the project. Applicants seek provisional approval of a scheme prior to undertaking the investment necessary to present the full application.

Capital grant payments totalling £16,591,000 (2002/2003 £13,889,000) were made during the year. The amount provided in the accounts for hard commitments (signed contracts) relating to capital grants increased by £2.3 million in 2003/2004 compared to a fall in 2002/2003 of £0.164 million.

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

Revenue Grants

In April 1996 the National Lottery directions were amended to allow revenue funding. The revised directions specifically required the Sports Council for Wales to take account of:

- 1) the desirability of developing talents and skills, particularly of young people
- 2) funding major international sporting events.

Revenue grants payments during the financial year totalled £4,262,000 (2002/2003 £4,113,000). This amount comprised expenditure on the following schemes:

Programme	2003/04 £000	2002/03 £000
Élite Cymru	954	991
Coach Cymru	805	799
Dragon Sport	949	943
Disability Sport Cymru	360	287
Community Chest	1,067	1,077
Women and Girls	127	16
	<u>4,262</u>	<u>4,113</u>

Community Chest includes an amount of £69,000 paid in respect of administration costs of local authorities who administer the grant scheme at local level.

MEMBERS OF THE SPORTLOT PANELS

The Council's Royal Charter allows it to appoint committees or panels to exercise any of its functions. For the purposes of SPORTLOT, the Sports Council for Wales has appointed five panels, which are each chaired by members of the Council.

The National Panel considers all applications for capital projects costing above £250,000 as well as projects of national significance. The regional panels consider applications for all other capital projects. The National Excellence Panel considers applications from individuals and governing bodies of sport for revenue funding.

The panel members are listed below:

National	South East
* Miss Anne Ellis MBE	* Mr Clive Thomas
Ms Helen Croft (appointed 1 April 2001)	Mr Graham Down (appointed 1 April 2001)
* Cllr Keith Evans	Mrs Wendy Groves (appointed 1 April 2002)
Mr Paul Griffiths (appointed 1 April 2002)	Mrs Sarah Powell (appointed 1 April 2003)
* Mr Ieuan Lewis	Miss Sally Church (appointed 1 April 2003)
* Mr Philip Lloyd Jones	Mr Raymond Davies (appointed 1 April 2003)
Mr Bob Lowe (appointed 1 April 2002)	Mr Michael Harvey (appointed 1 April 2003)
Mr Berwyn Price (appointed 1 April 2002)	Mrs Barbara Beedham (appointed 1 April 2003)
Mr Aled Roberts (appointed 1 April 2001)	Mr Frank Rees (resigned 31 March 2004)
* Mr Clive Thomas	Mr Iain Varah (appointed 1 April 2001)
Miss Helen Phillips (appointed 1 April 2003)	* Mrs Christine Gittoes (appointed 1 April 2003)
Mr Haydn Ames (appointed 1 April 2003)	
Dr Nicky Bolton (appointed 1 April 2003)	
Mr Russell Ward (appointed 1 April 2003)	
South West	North
* Mr David Davies	* Mr Philip Lloyd Jones
Mr Alun Wyn Bevan (resigned 31 March 2004)	Cllr R Mark Davies (appointed 1 April 2001)
Mr John Deason (reappointed 1 April 2001)	Mrs Sally R Lloyd Davies (reappointed 1 April 2001)
Mr David Evans (appointed 1 April 2002)	Ms Ann Gosse (appointed 1 April 2002)
Ms Sandra Hayes (resigned 31 March 2004)	Mr Mike Hornby (appointed 1 April 2001)
Mr Paul Hinder (appointed 1 April 2002)	Mr Gareth Hughes (appointed 1 April 2003)
Ms Gillian Hopley (appointed 1 April 2002)	Mr David James (appointed 1 April 2001)
Ms Deborah John (reappointed 1 April 2001)	* Mr Ieuan Lewis
Mr Andi Morgan (appointed 1 April 2003)	Miss Sian Mai Jones (appointed 1 April 2003)
* Mr P Huw Thomas	Mr Alan Watkin (appointed 1 April 2003)
* Ms Susan Williams	
Mr Roy Bergiers (appointed 1 April 2003)	
* Mr Ieuan Lewis	
National Excellence	
* Miss Anne Ellis MBE	Mr Rhodri Davies
Ms Tanni Grey-Thompson MBE	Mr John Hincliffe
Mr Nicky Piper	Mr Berwyn Price
Mr Mark Tattersall	* Mr Robert Turner
Mr Nigel Walker	Mr Adrian Davies
* Mr Lynn Davies MBE	Miss Lynette Harries
* Member of the Sports Council for Wales	

AUDITORS

The report by the Comptroller and Auditor General on the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2004 was unqualified.

STATEMENT OF THE COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL TO THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT AND THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY FOR WALES

I have examined the summary financial statement on pages 49-51 which has been prepared in the form and on the basis set out in note 1 on page 51.

Respective responsibilities of the Council, the Chief Executive, and Auditor

The summary financial statement is the responsibility of the Council and the Chief Executive. My responsibility is to report to you my opinion on its preparation and consistency with the full financial statements and foreword. I also read the other information in the Annual Report and consider the implications for my report if I become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the summary financial statements.

Basis of Opinion

I have conducted my work in accordance with Bulletin 1999/6 - 'The auditors' statement on the summary financial statement' issued by the Auditing Practices Board for use in the United Kingdom.

Opinion

In my opinion, the summary financial statement is consistent with the full financial statements and foreword of SPORTLOT for the year ended 31 March 2004 and has been properly prepared on the basis set out in note 1 to the summary financial statement.

John Bourn
Comptroller and Auditor General
13 July 2004

National Audit Office
3-4 Park Place
Cardiff CF10 3D

SUMMARY INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

	2003/2004 £000	2002/2003 £000
INCOME		
Proceeds from Lottery	10,556	12,595
Interest Receivable	37	24
Other Income	25	6
	<u>10,618</u>	<u>12,625</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Capital grants paid in the year	16,591	13,889
Revenue grants paid in the year	4,262	4,113
Change in provision for Hard Grant Commitments	3,889	759
Staff Costs	984	823
Other Operating Costs	562	476
	<u>26,288</u>	<u>20,060</u>
Increase/(Decrease) in funds before taxation	(15,670)	(7,435)
Taxation Payable	(7)	(5)
Increase/(Decrease) in funds after taxation	(15,677)	(7,440)
Unrealised gains on investment in NLDf	-	-
Increase/(Decrease) in funds for the year	(15,677)	(7,440)
Balance at 1 April	18,411	25,851
Balance at 31 March	<u>2,734</u>	<u>18,411</u>
Chairman's remuneration:		
Mr Gareth Davies to 30 September 2003	17	34
Mr Phil Carling 1 February to 31 March 2004	6	-
Chief Executive's remuneration:		
Dr Huw Jones	<u>70</u>	<u>64</u>
Remuneration of other senior staff	<u>165</u>	<u>195</u>

During the year Mr Gareth Davies resigned as Chairman of the Council on 30 September 2003 and was replaced by Mr Phil Carling on 1 February 2004. For the period 1 October 2003 to 31 January 2004 the post of Chairperson was temporarily covered by the Vice-Chair, Anne Ellis, for which she was paid a salary of £11,168. For the period to 30 September 2003 Mr Gareth Davies was paid a gross salary of £17,130 (2002/2003 £33,504) and a taxable benefit of £0 (2002/2003 £906). For the period 1 February 2004 to 31 March 2004 Mr Phil Carling was paid a gross salary of £5,710. The salary earnings of the Chief Executive comprised a gross salary of £61,464 (2002/2003 £60,108) and a non consolidated bonus of £4,335 (2002/2003 £4,229), with no taxable benefits accruing in this financial year. The non-consolidated bonus for 2002/2003 was paid a year in arrears making the actual salary payment in the year to the Chief Executive £70,028 (2002/2003 £63,940). He has Accounting Officer responsibility for lottery matters and 28% (2002/2003 28%) of his remuneration was recharged to the lottery distribution account. The Director of Finance returned to the National Audit Office from his secondment on 30 June 2003. Other senior staff receive a gross salary only. Members of SPORTLOT panels receive no remuneration for their work.

SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2004

	2003/04 £000	2002/03 £000
Current Assets		
Debtors	8	-
Investments – balance held in National Lottery Distribution Fund	21,471	31,716
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>-</u>	<u>1,492</u>
	21,479	33,208
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Provision for Hard Grant Commitments	(13,761)	(9,409)
Other Creditors	<u>(292)</u>	<u>(233)</u>
Net Current Assets	(14,053)	(9,642)
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
Provision for Hard Grant Commitments	<u>(4,692)</u>	<u>(5,155)</u>
Total Assets Less Liabilities	<u>2,734</u>	<u>18,411</u>
FINANCED BY:		
Income and Expenditure account	<u>2,734</u>	<u>18,411</u>

SUMMARY CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2004

	2003/04 £000	2002/03 £000
Net cash (outflow)/inflow for the year	<u>(1,492)</u>	<u>1,450</u>
(Decrease)/increase in cash	(1,492)	1,450

Accounting Officer: Dr H G Jones
6 July 2004

Notes

1. This summary financial statement has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985, having regard to the Companies (Summary Financial Statement) Regulations 1995 (SI 1995 / 2092) as far as is relevant.
2. Panel members and staff are required to declare all potential conflicts of interest. Details of all related party transactions considered material are contained in the full annual accounts, copies of which are available on request.
3. The balance held at 31 March 2004 at the National Lottery Distribution Fund is unaudited, as the audit of the Fund is incomplete. Any adjustment arising from that audit will be reflected in the 2004/2005 accounts and is not expected to be material. The balance is based on the distribution of National Lottery funds set out in the National Lottery etc Act 1993 (as amended).