

# Tackling Inequalities Fund (TIF) Stakeholder Session – feedback notes 9 February 2022









## ••• Breakout Session



## Session 1 – Breakout Rooms

- What's worked for you and worked well?
- How has physical activity become part of your core offer?
- What issues and challenges have been faced?
- How have these been overcome?
- Are there issues that you would like support with?

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#### What has worked for you and worked well?

- Flexibility in the funding, support through locality development officer and links to other local organisations.
- Allowance for adaptability throughout ongoing issues. Activities were allowed to evolve as the pandemic changed
- Opportunities to link closely with other organisations including new contacts.
- Introducing physical activity to groups that have never considered such activity.
- Partnership working is key!
- Highlighting the impact that physical activity can have with disability audiences.
- Unsure initially whether audience would be able to access an online offer, but concerns didn't materialise.
- Now using online delivery on a regular basis wasn't the case previously.
- Benefits wider than just physical health.
- Funding came at a great time, allowed to change concepts with delivery.
- Re-engagement has allowed for more personal work to take place, allowing time to develop relationships with the individual.
- Being able to offer quality experiences.

- Allowing financial support to reflect new concepts and engage new audiences.
- The funding was crucial to ensure survival on occasions but also allowed evolvement for some organisations too.
- Ability to offer a wide variety of activities (not just traditional sporting activities).
- Funding enabled organisations to keep activity/engagement going.
- Helped to build relationships with specific audiences and get them more active.
- Had really good feedback i.e. 'you were thinking of us...'.
- Was a really easy process to undertake and complete.
- -Screen time was proving detrimental to some. Activity packs gave a different route in. Allowed the organisations to "talk" to residents and better understand the issues. More than just an activity greater community support and interaction at very difficult times.



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### How has physical activity become part of your core offer?

- Adapting the project throughout, constantly learning and finding a way of continuing interventions.
- Identifying community partners, creating community links.
- Driving change and bringing others along on the journey.
- Building back trust with participants and volunteers, allowing them to feel safe engaging in activity.
- New activities now taking place and also a Football club has been established. Starting the activities has given everyone the confidence to try new things. Rounders and walks have been introduced.
- Ability to try out things without worrying too much about it potentially not going completely to plan.
- Organisations have had the deliver "live" as part of the transition through the pandemic

#### What issues and challenges have been faced?

- Working with audiences that don't have routine, structure and stability in their lives.
- Attempting to introduce concepts, sometimes very new concepts is challenging and requires ongoing support.
- Qualitative work, rather than quantitative.
- Volunteers key part of the process, provided a challenge reengaging initially following lockdowns.
- Integrating new audiences, knock on effects in terms of policies, procedures and processes.
- Reflection on Covid-19, the challenges it has had, and is continuing to pose.
- The duration of the pandemic going on for longer than was initially expected.
- Keeping physical activity as part of everyday life for those in bullet point 1. Creating sustainability without continuous funding.
- Showing the value of PA to residents. Showing there is a monetary cost too.

#### Are there issues that you would like support with?

- How do we have a longer-term impact?



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## Session 2 – Breakout Rooms

- What next for this Group?
- Is there appetite to continue to meet?
- What format? Informal, formal, agendas or open forums?
- Virtual or face to face?
- County wide or localised?
- Are there other organisations to be connected into these developments?

## ••• Session 2

### What next for this group?

- Highlighting the successes, the positive stories and the great work that has been done.
- Sharing the good news stories, offering inspiration to other groups locally to reflect the positive impact of physical activity.
- Important to meet with stakeholders. It helps funders understand need on the ground.
- Aids cross-fertilisation of ideas.
- Working in partnership to broaden reach.
- Don't want it to feel like competition. Still elements of this happening currently. Set a precedent soothers are in the minority.
- Make things egoless.
- Enhancing services available to target audiences enough need and numbers across the county.
- Ability to offer support to other organisations if necessary.
- Aids community cohesion.

## Is there appetite to continue to meet?

- Yes, really good to keep momentum and build on initial steps.
- Countywide discussions are useful to learn from one another.
- Able to pick up on good practice from elsewhere.
- Learning together.

## What format? Informal, formal, agendas or open forums?

#### Virtual or face to face?

- Appetite to meet face to face, regionally may lead to more localised partnerships.
- Face to face regionally would be great should time in diaries allow!
- Virtually, quarterly on a countywide basis lasting for approx. 1 hour.
- If other more localised conversations needed to take place then also happy for that to happen.

## Are there other organisations to be connected into these developments?

- Additional workforce to engage and share learning.
- How do we engage wider partners, a more localised approach?













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