**Background**

A Community Sports and Physical Activity Hub is a collective of progressive sports clubs and other local organisations that want to work together to improve the sport offered in their local community. The Hubs will operate within the existing structures of the Local Sports Partnerships. The Hubs will provide information, support and advice on a wide range of sports and physical activities to make it easier for people in disadvantaged areas to get involved and engage in a more active and healthier lifestyle. The Hubs will recognise the diversity of their local communities and will seek to reach out and increase participation from all corners of the community.

Each Hub will be unique, however they work to certain principles, namely grow participation, engage the local community, promote community leadership, offer a range of sporting opportunities and bring all appropriate (key) partners/ groups/people together.

**Vision and Mission of the Community Sports and Physical Activity Hubs:**

**Vision:** The vision of a Hub is to increase the number of people of all ages participating in sport and physical activity in their communities.

**Mission:** The mission of the Community Sports and Physical Activity Hubs in disadvantaged areas is to bring local people together and provide a home for local clubs and sports organisations.

**Types of Hubs**

For the purpose of this Dormant Accounts Fund application, a Hub must be focused on one of the following themes:

**1. Community Sports Hub**

This is a Hub where the community is at the heart and is centred around community participation. This includes developing and strengthening linkages between the community, sports clubs and other physical activity groups.

**2. School Community Sports Hub**

This is a Hub that maximises sports facility usage through linkages with the local schools, community, sports clubs and other physical activity groups.

**3. Outdoor Community Sports Hub**

This Hub will focus on the development of the outdoor space as a hub, increasing the linkages between the community, sports clubs and other physical activity groups.

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**Expression of interest application and guidelines are available at** [**www.monaghansports.ie**](http://www.monaghansports.ie)

**Closing date: Friday 20th March 2019**

**COMMUNITY SPORTS & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY HUB**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

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| **SECTION 1: GENERAL ORGANISATION INFORMATION** |

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| Organisation Name: (Main Organistaion making application) |  | | |
| * 1. **Organisation Address:** |  | | |
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| Primary Contact Information (Project Lead) | | | |
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| **Position:** |  | | |
| **Main Contact Number:** |  | | |
| **Email address:** |  | | |
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| Proposed Area for Community Sports Hub | | | |
| **General Area:** |  | | |
| **Main location:** |  | | |
| **(ie main facility / plus other facilities that might be used )** |  | | |
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| **SECTION 2: COMMUNITY NEEDS** |
| **2.1. Understanding the community needs**  Outline the local need for a Community Sports Hub in your area (CSH) – ie what is needed and is not currently available in the local community in terms of access to sport and physical activity across the age groups, genders, variety of sports and activities etc. What is not available at present that would encourage more people to be more active?  Has any research been conducted so far in the area to back up the need? If so please refer to it.  *NB - maximum of 250 words* |
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**2.2. Outline the various target groups your Community Sports Hub plans to work with**

Please note the key objective is to increase the number of people of all ages participating in sport and physical activity in their communities.

Who will you target? People / organisations – how are they not currently being catered for?

*NB - maximum of 250 words*

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| **SECTION 3: POTENTIAL INITIATIVES – PROJECT DESCRIPTION** |
| **3.1. Give a brief outline of your Project proposal.**  Please give an outline of programming for various groups, for example, sports clubs, youth, teenagers, adults, older adults, schools etc – ie what types of activites you would suggest for the target groups named above to senure that more people can access activities that are suitable for them? |
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| **SECTION 4: POTENTIAL INITIATIVES – PROJECT OUTCOMES** |
| **4.1. Please highlight the expected outcomes arising from this support in more detail.**  Outcomes refer to the short, medium and longer term impact i.e. changes which are expected to come about as a result of the funding. Please detail the numbers benefitting from programme and expected impact on project on participants and the wider community eg growth of sports clubs, additional activities that don’t currently exist – what will be the long term results?  *NB – maximum of 500 words* |
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| **SECTION 5: PARTNERS INFORMATION** | | | | | |
| **5.1.** **Provide an outline of the partners that will be involved.**  (This may include local sports clubs, schools, community and voluntary groups, National Governing Bodies of Sport (NGB’s), where appropriate) | | | | | |
| **Partners Name** | **Responsibility (their involvement)** | (Please tick where applicable) | | | |
| **Lead** | **Joint Lead** | **Partner** | **Supporter** |
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\*You must have contacted partners to ensure their commitment for this project – you will be asked for 3 Signatures at the end to evidence this mmittment

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| **SECTION 6: RESOURCES** | | |
| **6.1.** **Provide details of the total costs associated with the project.**  At this stage we do not expect you to identify specific costs – just an outline of how funding would be used eg . Coaching costs / Equipment / Training and Education Courses/Joint Initiatives and Taster Days etc / Advertising and Marketing Costs/ Local Programme Evaluation etc.  The Community Sports Hub Fnding is expected to invest up to €50000 in the Community through programming and capial equipment spend. The Sports Partnership engage the services of a support worker to drive the project locally, therefore no staffing cost should be included here. | | |
| **PROJECT REQUIREMENTS**  Include overall resource requirements  for the project | **DESCRIPTION** |  |
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| **SECTION 7 – SIGNATURES** |
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We declare that the information provided in this Application Form is true and accurate

We have read and understood the Community Sports Hub Guidelines which were received with this application form.

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| **Signature (Applicant group)** |  | **Signature 2 (Partner group)** |
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| **Date:** |  | **Date:** |

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| **Signature 3 (Partner group)** |  |  |
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**Submissions by hard copy to**

**Monaghan Sports Partnership c/o Ballybay Civic Centre, Main Street, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan**

**Or by email to:** [**lduffy2@monaghancoco.ie**](mailto:lduffy2@monaghancoco.ie)

On / before: Friday 20th March 2020

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