NATIONAL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY TASKFORCE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Overview

- 1. The Government Sport Strategy Get Active: a strategy for the future of sport and physical activity sets out the ambition to see 2.5 million more adults and 1 million more children being classed as active in England by 2030. The strategy commits to greater join-up cross government and sets new targets to increase activity rates and reduce levels of inactivity. The National Physical Activity Taskforce (NPAT) has been set up to connect relevant organisations across government and the sport sector and to help ensure that the Government continues to make progress and deliver on these targets.
- 2. As the policy areas under consideration are largely devolved, the taskforce confines its remit to England only, but works closely with the Devolved Administrations where appropriate.

Objectives

The taskforce aims to achieve the following:

- a. To support joined up government policies to enable a shared vision to support the least active communities and reduce inactivity.
- b. To provide oversight and track progress on the delivery of the goals and metrics set out in the Government Sport Strategy: Get Active.
- c. To examine innovative policy levers that could be introduced to deliver an increase in sport and physical activity participation.
- d. To connect relevant organisations across government and the wider sport and physical activity sector to support progress to tackle inactivity.
- e. To create national policies and actions to enable local delivery of physical activity policies and approaches, which are co-designed to align with context and priorities.
- f. To drive consistency across government in measuring success and impact of programmes designed to drive physical activity.
- g. To hold all parties to account for delivering the ambitious targets as set out in the government strategy, both at the national and local level.

Membership

3. The taskforce will be chaired by the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport or the Minister for Sport and former England and British Lions rugby player, Ugo Monye.

Standing members

- Nominated government departments
- Deputy Chief Medical Officer
- Sport England
- UK Sport
- Active Travel England
- Independent representatives with experience from a range of areas

Rotating members

- National Sector Partners Group (NSPG) representative on a rotating basis
- National Governing Bodies (NGBs) representatives on a rotating basis
- Active Partnership representative on a rotating basis
- Local Government representative on a rotating basis

Responsibilities and ways of working

- 4. The taskforce will agree key themes for discussion and establish sub-groups to lead and develop proposals for the taskforce to consider on key areas of strategic importance.
- 5. An analytical sub-group will be established to provide data and evidence into the taskforce to support its ongoing work. This will be chaired by DCMS officials and members will be expected to contribute to its work.
- 6. Members of the taskforce will be expected to contribute to those sub-groups, these groups may co-opt membership from outside of the taskforce.
- 7. DCMS and industry partners will provide the secretariat for the taskforce and its sub-groups as necessary.
- 8. Taskforce members commit to proactively working to champion the importance of physical activity, regularly attending meetings and supporting the work of the sub-groups. Rare use of substitutes to attend meetings is acceptable by prior agreement.
- 9. The taskforce will meet quarterly and run for a minimum period of 18 months.