

Constitution for Athletics Tayside Partnership

1 Name

1.1 The group shall be known as the **Athletics Tayside Partnership** (herein called 'The Group') and become recognised as the Local Athletics Partnership within **scottishathletics**.

1.2 The Group covers the area of Tayside.

2 Objects

- Produce, implement and manage a plan to co-ordinate, promote and encourage quality opportunities for local people to participate and excel in the sport of athletics
- Build community capacity, increasing participation and improving performance in all disciplines of athletics
- Widen the opportunities for all sections of the community to participate in physical activity through athletics and further develop current activity
- To identify those athletes with particular ability and interest and encourage them to become members of athletics clubs, and to fulfil their potential
- Overcome any barriers to athlete development occurring and support athletes striving to achieve
- Encourage all participants at whatever level, to continue their involvement and improve their level of fitness and performance
- Avoid duplication of effort, and maximise available resources through co operation and shared planning and delivery

3 Membership of the group

The group will invite representatives to become members of the group, and encourage all parties to make a contribution to the development and implementation of the SportTayside & Fife Athletics Plan

The group will consist of decision makers in the local community including

- SportTayside & Fife Athletics Development Manager
- Angus Council Sports Development Officer
- Dundee Council Sports Development Officer
- Perth & Kinross Council Sports Development Officer
- Key representatives from Education including Active Schools Coordinator(s)
- Representatives from Further & Higher Education bodies
- The Tayside constituted and affiliated athletics clubs
- representative of **scottishathletics**
- Any other person or organisation who share an interest in athletics in Tayside

4 Officers

4.1 The Group members will elect the following Officers at the inaugural AGM: - Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. These posts will be renewable at subsequent AGMs. Other officers may be elected at the AGM, as considered necessary.

4.2 Each of the Officers will be entitled to a vote on ATP issues as will the rest of the Group Members as per in paragraph 3.2. The Athletics Clubs will be permitted a maximum of two representatives (i.e. two votes) as members of the Group (in addition to any officer votes). Each other organisation attending will be entitled to one vote per group/institution. A quorum shall be deemed to be a minimum of five members of the group, one of which must be an Officer.

5 Meetings

The committee shall meet at its discretion, but there shall not be more than six months between meetings.

6 Finance

All monies raised by or on behalf of the group shall be applied to further the aims of the group and for no other purpose. A Bank account in the name of the group will be set up by the Treasurer after the first AGM (and audited accounts maintained).

7 Dissolution

If the Group by a simple majority decide at any time on the grounds of expense or otherwise it is necessary or advisable to dissolve the partnership, it shall call a special general meeting, of which meeting not less than 21 days notice (stating the terms of the resolution to be proposed thereat) shall be given. If the decision is confirmed by a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote, the Group shall have power to dispose of any assets held by or on behalf of the Group. Any assets remaining after the satisfaction of any proper debts and liabilities shall be given or transferred to **scottishathletics** for reallocation within Tayside or repaid to the original source of funding if necessary or requested.

8 Discipline

All parties undertake to adhere to the Scottish Athletics Limited and UKA Welfare Policy. Any disciplinary issues will be investigated and presided over by SAL.