



URN: 401

## NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## AREA COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPROVAL FORM

1. Committee: **Royston Area Committee**2. Date: **01/03/2017**3. Summary of application: **Funding support to assist with setting up Futsal group in Royston**Name of organisation: **Royston Town Youth Football Club**Sum requested: **£330**Total project cost: **£385**

Brief details:

**Royston Town Youth Football Club is seeking funding from Royston & District Area Committee to assist with setting up Futsal Royston. This is aimed at children aged 5-13 and funding is required to purchase the equipment needed for futsal, namely portable futsal goals, mini portable target goals, indoor bibs, precision flat discs for marking out the court and futsal balls.**

Matched / linked funding: **£55**Funder: **Royston Town FC Funds**Matched /linked funding: **£0**  
or DRR

Funder:

Matched / linked funding: **£0**

Funder:

Comments from Development Officer:

**Futsal is very popular in many countries around the world but is still relatively new in the UK.**

**It is played indoors, but unlike indoor football, players are not allowed to hit the balls off the walls but are confined to a court. Different size goals and balls are used and there is no offside in futsal.**

**Futsal Royston will be operating as a separate club to Royston Youth FC and will have its own bank account and constitution. Like Royston Youth FC, Futsal Royston will be run by volunteers as a non profit organisation open to all children of all abilities. The group have already run several pilots of futsal which have been well supported.**

**Whilst the group is seeking £330 from the Committee, this is a start up grant and the funding award for this in the current criteria is £250.**

**This is a unique scheme to get children of both sexes into sport and as there are fewer youth initiatives within the town, Members may wish to consider awarding a little more in line with the sum being requested, in order to get the venture off the ground.**

**This organisation receives no Rate Support or other formal benefits from NHDC.**

**This organisation has not received an NHDC grant in the last five years.**