

FELIXSTOWE AND DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR SPORT AND RECREATION



- founded 1964
- umbrella for over 30 affiliated sports clubs with around 5000 sports players for a £5-00 annual subscription
- the most active local sports council in Suffolk
- works through an Executive Committee of 14 members including 2 members from Felixstowe Town Council, 1 each from Trimley St. Mary and Trimley St. Martin Parish Councils and representatives from the major sports
- a variety of aims including above all the encouragement of greater participation in sport and recreation by all sections of the community - especially younger and older people - together with reviewing the area's sporting, recreational and play needs and the encouragement of the development of facilities
- long history of close liaison with Felixstowe Town Council including a current annual grant of £200-00 and with Suffolk Coastal District Council
- Recent activities include:
 - the annual Sports Awards Evening with the Mayor of Felixstowe presenting 6 awards including Sports Personality, Junior Sports Personality, Team of the Year and Club official
 - provision of advice and support for clubs - especially in respect of fundraising and volunteering
 - small grants of £25-00 to clubs to assist with the purchase of basic equipment such as first aid kit and interest free loans to help with the purchase of essential capital equipment

- The Inter-Town Sports Challenge between Elixstowe and Woodbridge in around 10 different sports such as outdoor bowls, road running, tennis and soccer.
- additionally the Council has funded over £100,000 to improve sport and play facilities in the town including two basketball courts at Cavendish Park and Walton Recreation Ground, a small all-weather surface at Allenby Park, a BMX/Skateboard track at Cavendish Park, trim trail at Eastwood Ho, climbing dome in Linger Park and six mini-football goal nets at various locations
- continual liaison with cricket, hockey, rugby union and soccer clubs about the development of sports hubs
- consultation with East Suffolk Council concerning the intended new leisure Centre provision