

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 10 – Sport and Recreation

Topic: Whole of Sport Funding and Investment Categorisation Framework

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Peris, Nova

Question:

How has “whole of sport” funding been re-allocated in the new NSO Investment Categorisation Framework announced in June 2015?

Will the categorisation framework still include consideration of funding needed for emerging sports development, coaching assistance, equity and other areas of funding previously covered by “whole of sport” funding, and if so, how will this be included in the new categorisation framework?

Answer:

In 2013, a new category of National Sporting Organisations (NSOs) funding called Whole of Sport was introduced for NSOs that were unable to contribute to *Winning Edge* targets, as an interim measure until the new Participation investment strategy was developed.

For 2015-16, with the implementation of the new Participation Investment Categorisation Framework, Whole of Sport funding was removed and re-allocated with the funding split \$2.0 million to high performance and \$1.9 million to participation.

High performance investment changes in 2015-16 were as follows and were based on the sport’s potential to contribute to *Winning Edge* targets:

Sport	Change in High Performance funding
Cycling	+470,000
Table Tennis	+253,200
Women’s Softball	+1,000,000
Men’s Baseball	+415,000
Badminton	(80,000)
Squash	(70,000)
Total	+1,988,200

Participation funding was based on the new Participation Investment Categorisation Framework, which is based on categories that are determined by participation data, with a fixed funding amount per category. As a result of the new model, there were increases and decreases in participation investment for a number of sports, with 2015-16 being a transition year for participation funding, and full application of the new investment model taking effect from 2016-17. This resulted in \$1.9 million of Whole of Sport funding being reallocated to Participation in 2015-16.

NSOs receiving participation funding allocate this funding in line with their plans to achieve participation outcomes, including sport development, coaching and participation programs.