



**Project Title:** Women's Rugby World Cup Pre-legacy event Phase I

**Funder:** Department for Communities

**Amount funded:** £40,000

**Dates:** Project delivered January 2017 - March 2017

**Project aim:**

To increase participation amongst young females (p6 & p7) and people with disabilities from socially deprived areas, utilising the reach and hook of the WRWC (August 2017).

**Key achievements:**

Activities included:

- Nevin Spence Centre and Kingspan Stadium tour
- Sporting cultures workshop
- Values based rugby sessions
- Club blitzes

In conjunction with these activities, volunteers from 3 Clubs progressed through a capacity building programme with Sported to improve their female infrastructure.

A total of 368 pupils from mainstream schools and 64 pupils from SEN schools took part in project activities with 3 new U12 club female teams being established.

The project was very successful in engaging underrepresented people with sport and connecting them with long term opportunities. Feedback also suggested a reduced stigma of female sport and an enhanced awareness of rugby opportunities.

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