## Schools and education wider evaluation Foreword

This evaluation is the second of our 'wider' evaluations. These look in depth at how the programmes we deliver alongside our partners support the sporting system. We commissioned Research Scotland to carry out an independent evaluation of our blend of support within the schools and education environment.

We would like to thank the Active Schools teams, teachers, parents, stakeholders, pupils and young people who took part in the evaluation. We value their contribution.

## Purpose of the evaluation

This evaluation looks at the blend of support we offer along with partners through Active Schools, Active Girls, School Sport Award, School Sport Competition, Competition Organiser Training, Young Ambassadors, Young People's Sport Panel and Facilities support.

The evaluation provides insight into what is working and how we can work together to develop and improve how we support the development of the sporting system in Scotland.

## Our Response

We welcome the findings. These demonstrate the impact of our blend of support in the schools and education environment. This evaluation adds to the growing evidence base of data and independent evaluations, providing a robust picture of how the work we deliver alongside partners contributes to the Scottish sporting system.

We will use this evidence base to inform our next planning cycle, which we are developing across 2018.

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