SPORTS SURF SUMMIT 2007

IOG

THROUGH TRAINING TO SERVICE

THE INSTITUTE OF

groundsmanship

About the IOG

- Set up 1934
- originally 11 members
- Now over 7000
- 8 Regions & 40 Branches
- Industry show
- Education & training
- CPD
- Consultancy
- Research & Development

Training

- Range of subjects and levels
- Range of accredited & Non accredited
- Endorsed by and delivered in association with the relevant sporting bodies

IOG SALTEX

Windsor Racecourse 5-7 September 2006

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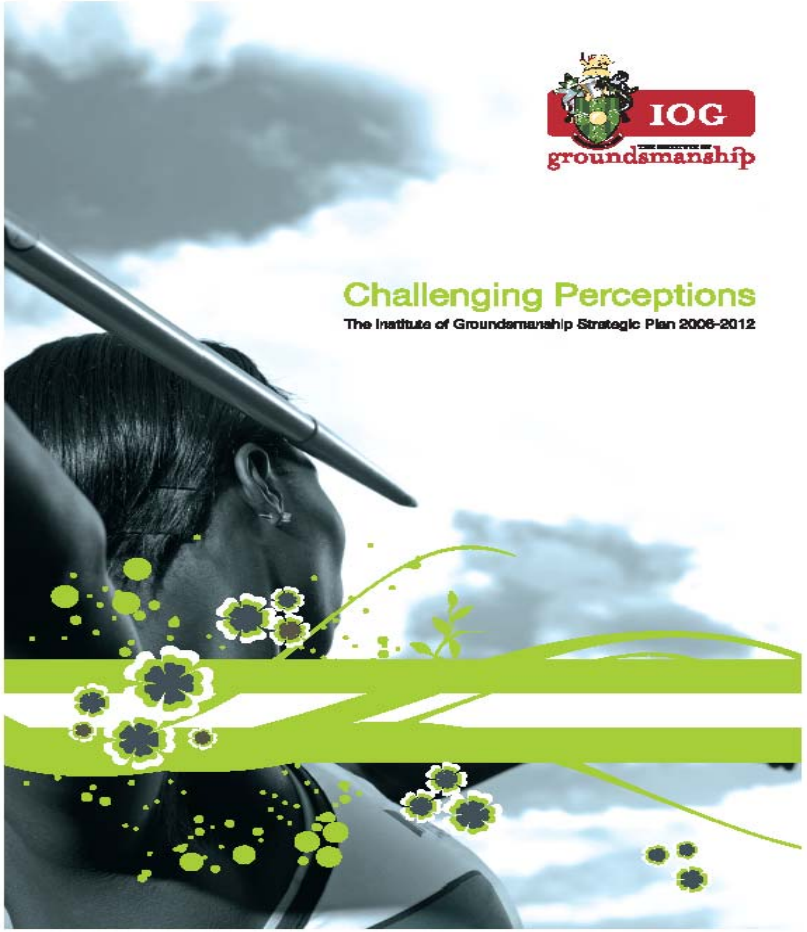
sports amenities landscaping

2006 Strategy launch



IOG Challenging perceptions

- ***Right across the country IOG members provide an important service to sport at both the professional and community levels, delivering high quality playing surfaces that are fit for purpose.***

- ***The recommendations outlined in the strategic plan provide a firm foundation for success and I welcome them.***

Richard Caborn

Minister for Sport, Department for Culture, Media and Sport Sept 2006

One year on

- *"I welcome the progress that the IOG has made in the past 12 months since launching Challenging Perceptions. The work conducted by the vast number of expert groundsmen and women across the country is greatly valued by all those who play and compete on world class surfaces..*

The IOG is providing a valuable service to the world of sport through its continued investment in training and education both for the professional and the volunteer alike. *It is refreshing to see the IOG taking a proactive view of its own operation and outlook and one that will no doubt pay dividends in the future"*

Gerry Sutcliffe

Minister for Sport, Department for Culture, Media and Sport 2007

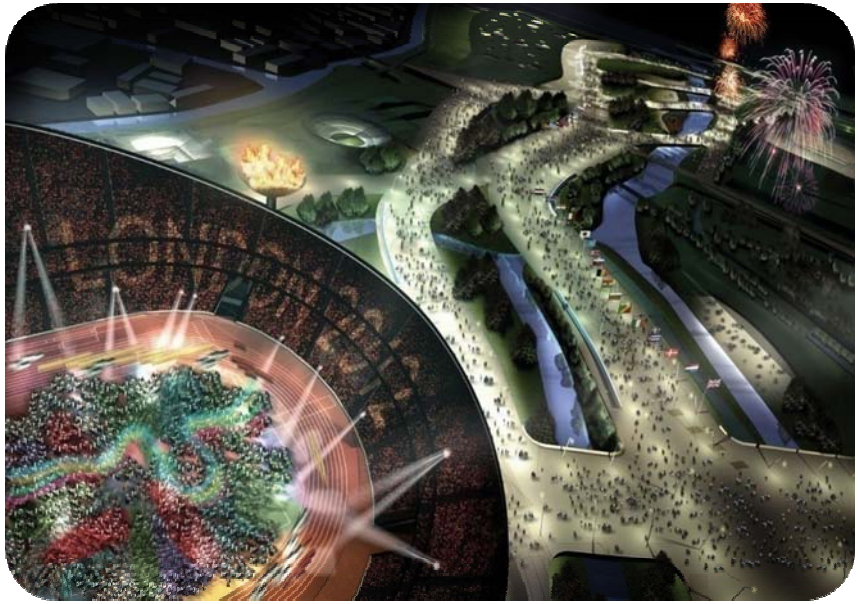
Scoping the industry

- In depth review
- Quantify the size of the industry
- Identify skill range
- Evaluate impact of sector on the economy
- Present the findings

2012 Fund

- The scheme is supported by:
- the STRI
- Loughbrough University
- Cranfield University
- Turftrax
- The ECB
- The IOG.

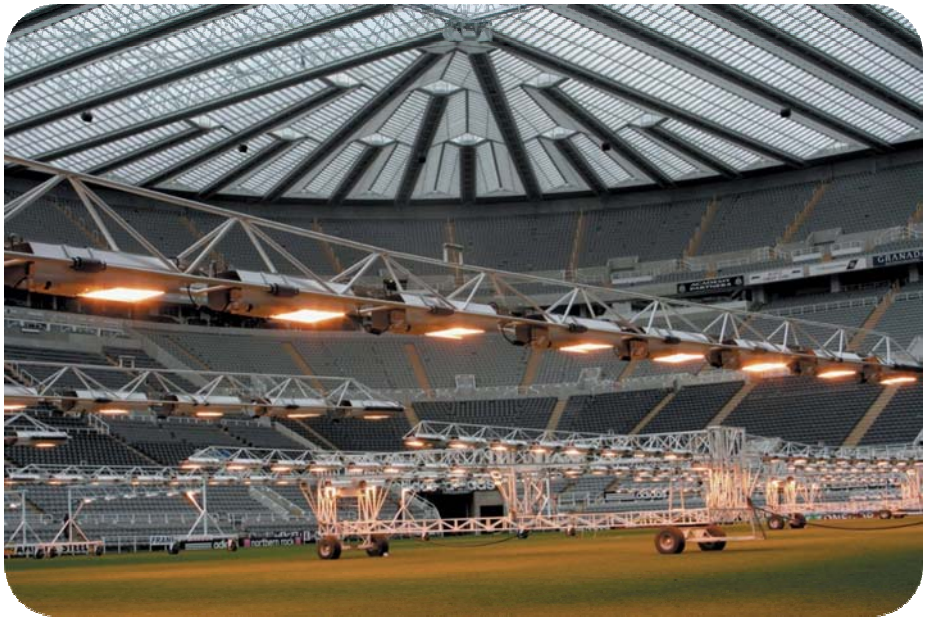
IOG 2012 fund



2012 Fund

The IOG 2012 fund seeks to provide grant funding for education & innovative research into the maintenance, operation and management of outdoor surfaces for sport recreation and play.

2012 Fund



The fund has been established to provide a conduit for research into fine sports turf and artificial surfaces.

2012 Fund

Projects that increase knowledge of new / best practice in the management operation and maintenance of outdoor sports & recreational venues

Projects that take account of the impact upon the environment as related to sporting and recreational venues.

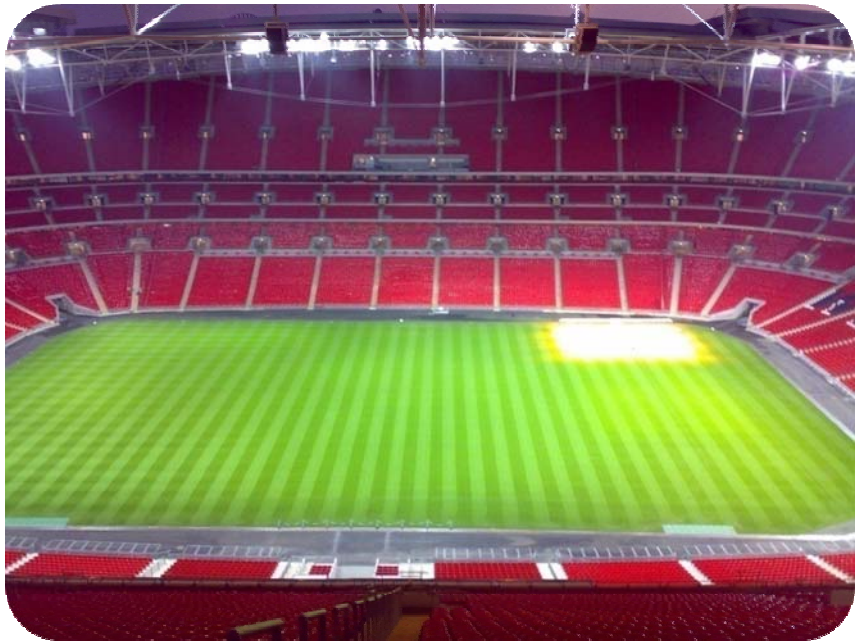
2012 Fund

We encourage

Projects that enhance knowledge & awareness of the sports turf industry

Projects that enhance the standards of facilities used for the provision of sport

2012 Fund



Applications for funding will be in line with available budget within the 2012 fund.

2012 Fund

The collaboration of governing bodies and established research agencies and universities will provide a focus for promoting innovation and improvement of sports facilities in the UK.

2012 ECB / IOG RESEARCH

- Areation of fine turf areas
- Research team to be procured
- Agree timescale & programme
- Begin late 2007 interim reports produced
- 4 year study

2012 Bursaries

A proportion of the 2012 fund is set aside specifically to aid professional development for students

and to encourage the uptake of sports turf qualifications and enter the profession as grounds professionals.

2012 Bursaries

This is available to:

Individuals (where supported by the institution to whom they are applying to) small bursaries (up to a maximum of £500, pa for three years)

2012 Fund

Projects should demonstrate a legacy to the industry that raises standards knowledge and awareness.

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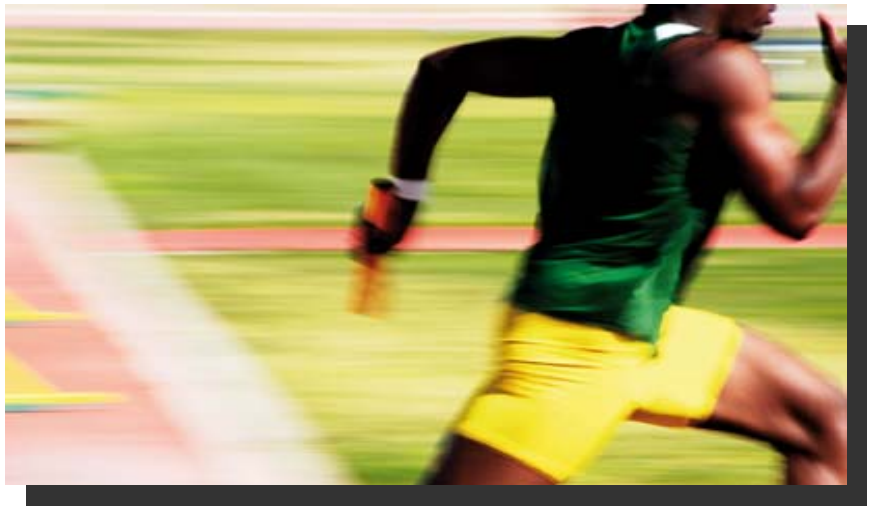

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