**ENSA Societies & Sports Development Fund 24/25**

For the 2024/25 academic year, ENSA is offering the opportunity for our society and sports clubs committees to apply for grant funding to support the delivery of activity. Our aim with this funding is to improve the student experience and open the door to new opportunities for our ENSA members.

**Where did the grant come from?**

There is a limited pot of money which has come from the ENSA Societies & Sports Development Fund. This fund is a collection of the money which was held by societies and sports clubs which have been dormant for over 2 years (as detailed in our ENSA Finance Policy).

This money was designed to be used by students, for students. Therefore, we want to redistribute the funds to our current societies and sports clubs to enhance the student experience.

**What can I apply for?**

The grant aims to support your committee to offer additional activity on top of your regular offerings. We will prioritise applications which can show improvement in one or more of the following areas:

* Club/committee/coaching sustainability;
* Diversity, inclusion and/or accessibility;
* Recreational sport or physical activity;
* Environmental sustainability;
* Student mental wellbeing.

Applications which ask for support in covering the core costs of running their society or sports club will not be considered. Your membership fees should cover the basic costs of providing activity for your members.

**How much can I apply for?**

The grant is an open fund and you can apply for any amount of funding you would like. However, due to the limited money available within this fund, the decision-making panel reserves the right to offer a partial sum of the total asked for within your application.

We expect that the average amount of funding available will be approximately £200-300 per application.

Each society and sports club will only be allowed to have one successful bid per academic year. If for any reason your application is rejected, you may continue to apply until you have received one successful bid.

**How and when do I apply?**

The fund will be delivered on a rolling basis, with decisions being made at monthly Society Volunteer Committee and Sports Volunteer Committee meetings. Applications will remain open until either all funds have been distributed or ENSA deem it necessary to close all applications.

Applications will only be considered if they have been received by Friday 12pm the week before the Volunteer Committees are due to meet. You will receive a reminder of these dates as part of the Weekly Updates on the ENSA Societies and ENSA Sports Teams channels.

The online application form will be held in the Finance section of the Policy Bank on the ENSA website.

**I want to apply for the fund but I am unsure if I can apply?**

Please reach out to either Sabbatical Officer or the Student Activities staff team if you would like to propose an idea or speak to us about your application. You can contact us either at [societies@napierstudents.com](mailto:societies@napierstudents.com) or [sports@napierstudents.com](mailto:sports@napierstudents.com).