

Proposer: Aaron Caulfield
Seconder: Imogen Robertson
Date: 26/01/2023



Motion Title: Clubs and Societies Coronavirus Recovery Motion

Motion Resolves:

Amend Schedule 8 as follows until such the 07/09/2025, or until such a time as this Union's Community Zone considers it that Clubs and Societies have normalised, whichever later:

"3.3 Membership – **An existing Club or Society must obtain a minimum of 6 paid members supporting its continuation, new societies must obtain a minimum of 8 paid members supporting its formation and who have joined the society within the grace period in order to secure continuing, or new, affiliation**"

"4.1 Membership fees – All Clubs/Societies must set an annual membership fee at their AGM (or EGM if applicable) prior the start of each academic year, communicating this to the Union in order for the Union to set the new fees to be displayed on the website.

- ~~a) A minimum membership fee will be set by the Union, with approval of the Vice President Communities.~~
- ~~b) The minimum membership amount is set by the CZEC, and will be reviewed annually.~~
- a) Clubs & Societies may apply to the CZEC to become ED&I Accredited using the correct form, granting the ability to waive Club & Society membership fees on the understanding this will have an impact on Club finances
- b) All membership fees are subject to VAT, where applicable."

"5.5 Under no circumstances should Clubs use any agreements they have in place to lobby the Union to accept or not accept any marketing activity which they may directly be undertaking. The Union reserves the right to accept marketing activities and agreements with external bodies regardless of these being in competition with activities provided by Clubs or Societies – **however it is the duty of the Vice President Communities to assess any impact this may have upon the Club or Societies impacted, and attempt to mitigate any detriment provided to such Society in undertaking any such agreement and provide this consideration to any such Society affected**"

"7.1 The University of Stirling Students' Union logo **may** be shown clearly on all Club Publicity and in line with the Union's branding policy which can be found on www.stirlingstudentsunion.com"

"9.4 Non-Student Members - Such membership will have non-voting status and will not be eligible to be elected as Committee members of the Club/Society. All non-student members must adhere to the clubs/society constitution – **for the purposes of affiliation, a non-student paid member counts for one-half of a student member however there must be a predominance of student members in order for this allocation to be given**"

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Motion Notes:

That, therefore, Schedule 8 of this Students' Union should be reformed for a temporary period in order that the normalisation of clubs and societies can be achieved over time.

Motion Believes:

That it is self-evident that the effect of the Coronavirus Pandemic has seriously stricken many clubs and societies within this Union and that recovery from this will only be possible with the assistance of the Union's core

That funds belonging to clubs of <10 members are unable to be accessed, leaving clubs and societies whilst are small in a death spiral.