

Strategic Alliance Framework



Key Themes

Wellbeing

Improve quality of life and support students with information and services

IDEA

Inclusion, Diversity, Equality and Accessibility.
Empowering students from diverse backgrounds

Sustainability

Empower students through an environmentally sustainable university experience

Student Community

Students and staff work in partnership to improve the student experience at Strathclyde and move from excellent to outstanding

Wellbeing

Improve the Feedback Loop for Personal Circumstances

- **Workshop held to identify current practice was extremely valuable in establishing short, medium, and long term programme of work**
- **Including communication, policy, digital systems and organisational process**

Cost of Living

- **Space for Strath Pantry currently being reviewed**
- **First delivery of Beauty Bank toiletries arrived including toothbrushes, deodorants, shampoo etc**
- **Currently exploring potential of student cooking lessons in teaching kitchens**

Wellbeing

Holistic Student Support and Fee Administration Review

- **Proposal to include practice of Financial Assurance step within admissions process**
- **Collect data on proportion on widening access students in PT/Flexible vs full-time study**
- **Research to be conducted on other institutions with monthly fee payments**
- **Draft of new student debt policy currently underway**

Sport for Everyone

- **Forecast potential spend after gathering data from the Participation Fund usage over the past few years**
- **A lot of the funding goes towards sport/active health initiatives at the moment**

Wellbeing

Sports Leadership and Development

- Looking into potential of a pilot around the Accelarate Project
- Meeting arranged with local primary schools to identify gaps in current programmes and developments required to suit the school's needs





IDEA



Diversity in Staff Community

- **Carried out in line with Race Equality Charter work, current key challenges include gaps in data, insufficient understanding of people's experiences**
- **Currently looking into providing two work experience opportunities for BPOC students within Careers and Employability**

Celebrate Diverse Student Culture

- **Work currently being carried out at Strath Union to adopt inclusive and diverse messaging**
- **Liasing with University Comms to ensure that a consistent message is present in communications go to students from both the Union and University**

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Ethical Investment

- **Ongoing conversations between the Student Exec and University Secretary, ensuring collaboration is present at every stage of the policy**
- **Chief Financial Officer currently creating draft to take to University Executive team**

Education for Sustainable Development

- **Survey going to student reps to gauge levels of rep involvement with ESD curriculum development**
- **Scheduled update on Education for Sustainable Development to be presented to February**

Student Community

Introduce Buddy System to Support First-Year Students

- **January marked the launch of ‘Strath Mates’, Strath Union’s new buddy initiative**
- **Successful launch with every student being assigned a buddy and positive response to events, including networking socials and game’s night**
- **Next step includes data to be reviewed, and planning to begin for September intake**

Space for Sport Outside Strathclyde Sport

- **Data from previous years currently being reviewed to identify trends/pressure points to identify needs of students, with a specific focus on Stepps**
- **Research being conducted into amount spent at external venues to help facilitate what is unable to fit in Strath Sport venue**

Student Community

Entrepreneurship for all

- Meeting arranged between Student President, Gillian Docherty, and Fiona Ireland to discuss student input into the Universities Entrepreneurship Strategy
- Strath Union currently supports two student staff that organise Entrepreneurship events on Campus, in collaboration with Strath Inspire