ENU Environmental Sustainability Monthly Meeting – February

Agenda:

Ankit Duggal: President, Edinburgh Napier Students’ Association

Ben Standish: Campus Cycling Officer

Emilia Heiskanen: Edinburgh Napier Sustainable Society

Heloisa Fyfe: Vice President, Edinburgh Napier Students’ Association

Jamie Pearson: Environmental Sustainability Manager

Nicola Scrimgeour: Marketing and Communication Officer

**Emilia**

* **Where we are with the Sustainability Module survey.**

In the process of getting the survey done

To find out if people will be willing to take the module

Long process due to GDPR

Hopefully to be released later this week

After that a focus group will take place.

ENSA will promote – the society will release it.

It should go out in the newsletter too.

**Ben**

* **Funding update**

£500 funding for Ride Leader Training, and Dr Bike Sessions is successful.

Pool Bikes application still going back and forth

* **Inclusive Cycling Festival**

Details to come in the next few days – it would be great to share as wide as possible.

Dates 22nd-26th March

**Jamie**

* **Budget - Final confirmation that there won’t be a specific environmental sustainability budget.**

There is some money but each project needs to be approach and justified.

It will be on a case study basis

There is a project template that Jamie has to share

Form idea 🡪 approach Andy McGough 🡪 See if the money is there

Susan has left the department. There will be an interim director.

* **Grounds - Grounds tender.  Also your Craiglockhart email Ankit.**

Things have gone slightly quiet at the moment.

Grounds tender to see how we want to do this in the future.

Want there to be good collaboration and good practice.

* **Strategy -  can provide a quick update.**

Meeting booked for the start of march to look at the skeleton of what a strategy could look like. This would then go to the wider university community for thoughts.

This skeleton will be very much a draft.

Heloisa and Jamie will keep us updated.

Idea to have it done for July.

At the moment it’s a very short briefing document with a catalogue of opportunities and ideas. Also priorities are mentioned (e.g reduce carbon quickly rather than wait until 2029)

* **Sustainability Week:**

Business school are leading a sustainability conference in March.

Hock Tan and Miles Weaver – they lead a large amount of work on sustainability.

There’s an opportunity during the week to promote other things.

Jamie is talking to Miles/Hock next week and ask if there’s anything we can get involved with.

New edition of student newsletter.

There is an online tracker for anything that support the goals.

* **COP 26**

Meeting with research and innovation team to see how the university will approach COP26

Deadline is 5th March to apply for a physical space.

Jamie can email through the details.

* **Gold Healthy Working Lives – Run by Claire Biggar**

Jamie will share what Ben and he have pulled together.

**FINAL THOUGHTS**

Any work that others are doing, please copy in [environment@napier.ac.uk](mailto:environment@napier.ac.uk)

As the strategy group develops everything else will tie in.

**Ankit:**

* **Food grow beds, tree plantation and beehives**

Ankit has got £2600 funding from keep Scotland Beautiful.

Looking to promote Craiglockhart castle and raise awareness.

Ankit would like to know the correct social medial tags for promoting his work at the university.

Jamie has a lot of information to share on Beehvies

Main consideration if there is guaranteed funding to support the beekeeping.

**Héloisa**

* Sustainability week (8-15 March)

Has been talking with Hock

Looking for a few students to do a presentation on a sustainable post COVID future.

Are there any other students interesting in presenting?

Looking for 2 or 3 more.

On the Monday 8th March 2-3pm.

Emilia suggested Mark is informed to be shared amongst all the environmental students.