

Silwood Clubs and Societies Report - December 2012

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Introduction

Silwood Park is an Imperial campus located just outside the M25 close to the town of Ascot. Silwood clubs operate following a different structure to clubs run through other management groups due to the unique nature of the campus. Most students are on one year masters programmes, as a result approx 90 of the 140 students based at Silwood change each year. This results in very dynamic set of clubs, most of which are set up by a vote at the Ordinary General Meeting (in the second week of Autumn term) for a year based around a group of students interests. A few clubs are more established eg climbing, cricket, football and run each year. As a result of this, during budgeting the Silwood Exec applies for funding for the next year based on the levels of funding that were felt were required for the current clubs running. However, this funding is then allocated to individual clubs during the following year. The clubs do not have their own accounts on eActivities, instead everything is managed through the Silwood Exec eActivities account, so financial responsibility for all Silwood clubs lies with the Silwood Exec.

Activity Plan

All clubs were required to submit an activity plan outlining what they were setting out to achieve in their club/society/activity. This was purely to help the Silwood Exec identify ways that it could support the clubs, as well as when we could point a club leader to a useful contact within the Union/Sport Imperial etc who may be able to help them.

Risk Assessment

All clubs were required to complete a standard risk assessment, these have all been completed and submitted online as the Silwood Exec risk assessment.

Funding Allocation

The initial funding allocation for 2012-13 has been completed. Some clubs submitted very detailed budgets for their activities throughout the year, and required a fixed amount of support; for example paying ground hire on a regular basis for activities based off campus. These clubs have received an overall allocation of money for the year. However, it was difficult to allocate funding to many clubs as we were asking new students at Imperial who have just become club leaders to submit budgets for activities for a full year within a few weeks of their arrival at Imperial and the clubs being formed.

Therefore in doing the allocation a reasonable proportion of the money was held back for a second allocation to be done in January once the clubs were more established and could give a better indication of their overall running costs. The Exec was willing to consider on a case by case basis requests for small amounts of funding for specific club activities during the Autumn term if required to help these smaller clubs with their activities until the allocation next term.

Clubs at Silwood in 2012-13

Allotments
Basketball
Chickens
Climbing
Cricket
Escape (hiking)
Football
Green (Environmental)
Hockey
Photography
Riding
Running
Salsa
Squash
Underwater (supported by RCC Underwater)
Wind Band
Yoga

Initial Funding Allocation

Funding was allocated as below, totalling £2,452.20 out of the £3,344.58 awarded by CSB last year for clubs and societies at Silwood. The remaining £892.38 will be awarded next term during the second funding allocation.

Activity	Item	Amount Awarded
Allotment Club	Perimeter fence	400
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Chickens	Wood preserver	20
Chickens	Wood & wire for repairs	24
Chickens	Health/hygiene items	24
Chickens	Food	344
Cricket	Net Hire	200
Cricket	Ground Hire	680
Cricket	Match Balls	161
Cricket	League Fees	22
Riding Club	Subsidy to be allocated - contact Dom	100
Silwood Hockey	Hockey Balls	27.2
Wind Band	Sheet Music	50