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Partnership Agreement between the Athletic Union and the Students' Association

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The partnership between the Athletic Union and the Students' Association is vital to the unique student experience in St Andrews. This Partnership Agreement aims to outline the arrangements and shared priorities of the organisations to ensure long-term collaboration.

This agreement has been approved by the Athletic Union Board and the Students Association Board with the acknowledgement that both parties believe in the partnership's value to both organisations.

This takes the form of the following arrangements.

Shared goals

- The Athletic Union and the Students' Association acknowledge that whilst they are two separate organisations their goals are closely aligned in supporting an excellent student experience and improving the mental and physical wellbeing of St Andrews students.

Membership of committees and working groups

- The Students' Association President or another SA delegate will sit on the Athletic Union Board.
- The Athletic Union President will attend the Students' Association Board and relevant subcommittees.
- The Athletic Union President will be a member of the Students' Representative Council, the Student Activities Forum and the Students' Association Executive Committee
- Selected officers of the Students' Association including the Director of Wellbeing will be a member of the "Saints Sport for All" advisory group of the Athletic Union Board.
- Relevant Students' Association representatives frequently sit on Athletic Union working groups and vice versa to share experience and expertise and to avoid the duplication of effort.
- Students' Association subcommittees will be encouraged to seek out ways to collaborate with the Athletic Union and its affiliated clubs.

Election of the Athletic Union President

- Elections for the office of Athletic Union President will be run by the Students' Association alongside elections for Students' Association Officers so long as 95% of matriculated students are members of the Students' Association in accordance with the Athletic Union Constitution.

Role of the Athletic Union President within the Students' Association Sabbatical Team

- For all intents and purposes, the Athletic Union President is an equal member of the Students' Association Sabbatical Team and should be treated as such.
- Alongside the Students' Association Sabbatical Officers, the Athletic Union President will actively contribute to the day-to-day operations of the Students' Association.
- The Students' Association will provide appropriate office accommodation for the Athletic Union President within the Union building to enable collaborative working with the Students' Association Sabbatical Officers.

Communications

- The Athletic Union President will be included in all communications from the Sabbatical team to students, and in any other external communications highlighting the roles and work of the sabbatical officers. This includes the weekly “Sabbatical Update” email to all students.
- The Students’ Association and the Athletic Union will actively promote events, initiatives and information from the other organisation that may be relevant to their members.

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