



Fair Access, Financial Hardship Fund and Charitable Grants Policy

The aim of this policy is to ensure that Kendal Snowsports Club (hence forth referred to as the Charity) provides access to participants who can demonstrate significant financial hardship and should ensure fair access to all who wish to participate in Snowsports activities at the Charity. This policy covers hardship funds and also charitable grants which the Charity may, in line with its Objectives as a CIO, at time to time make to other clubs, bodies or individuals.

The trustees and/or their appointees have an overriding duty to protect the Charity. Any offers of financial and / or practical assists will be made at the discretion of the trustees of the Charity and no offer of support shall be made if it or similar offers of support would in any way affect the viability of the Charity.

Hardship Fund

The Hardship Fund is to help any person(s) who might otherwise be prevented from participating in Snowsports as a result of financial hardship.

The Hardship fund can help pay for:-

- Membership Fees
- Participation Fees
- Travel Expenses for training and/or competitions
- Educational Expenses
- Equipment requirements

All cases seeking to access the hardship fund will be dealt with confidentially on an individual case by case basis by the trustees and their appointees. Any offer of assistance is final and at the Charity's discretion.

Cases will be reviewed every six months and the Charity has the right to stop any agreements with any individual(s) at any time they deem necessary.

Charitable Grants

Grants may only be made as a means of furthering the CIO's stated exclusive charitable objects and may not confer a non-incidental personal benefit on individuals or non-charitable organisations which would be incompatible with charitable status.

Any support provided to individuals and non-charities needs to be carried out with reference to guidance on funding non-charities. Any other Snowsports clubs which are assisted should be clubs that would meet the requirements of a Snowsports club set out in the Charity Commission's RR11 guidance

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Each case will be reassessed over a period of time (at least bi-annually). Any offer of assistance will be recorded and available for all members to see. Any offer of a grant to individuals must remain confidential. Applicants should email info@kendalsnowsportsclub.co.uk, which goes to the Club secretary, outlining their requirements.

Review

This policy will be reviewed at least every three years by the Committee.