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Shropshire Paddlesports Coach Bursary Scheme

To be used in conjunction with Shropshire Paddlesports Coach Funding Agreement

Shropshire Paddlesports (the club) has a strategic requirement to promote the development of coaches/leaders and Guides (the coaches). The club has therefore decided to help support the cost of training our future coaches. This document should be used in conjunction with the Shropshire Paddlesports Funding Agreement form that outlines the funding agreement between the “coach” and “club”.

The club has limited funds to support coaches to progress and support the club in the future. This document outlines how the club will access funding requests from members.

Requesting Funding

Members and coaches are encouraged to complete a development plan (example below) to highlight their aims and wishes for further training. Collectively these forms may form the basis for helping the club to organise group training which often is significantly more economical. In submitting a development plan, the club committee will review the plan and make a judgement on the importance of the training requested to the future of the club, based on participation or potential participation of club members.

Deciding on the level of funding

The Chair, Vice Chair and Head coach (training group) will make a recommendation to the committee for the level of funding they feel the club should offer the member for the requested course/courses. The level of support will depend on the course and circumstances of the Club at the time. The committee will be the final decision point of any such funding. The committee will review the proposed plan and recommendation from the training group ensuring that the decision process is based on the club’s current aims and objectives. On occasions the training group may feel that the club should pool the requests of several members and put on specific training, which can then be contracted by the club. Contracted training courses may also be funded at any level as required by the club. For example, the club may contract a provider to carry out a White Water Safety and Rescue Course for 6 members and fund this by 75%. Such activities will also be approved by the club committee.

Receiving Funding

Once the committee has agreed a level of funding this information will be passed back to the member and support will be provided on how to book a course (where required). The member would then be expected to complete the coach funding agreement to further progress a claim.