

Committee	Board of Management		
Agenda Item	23		
Date paper prepared	06/06/2023	Date of committee meeting	26/06/2023
Subject	HISA Shetland End of Year Report		
Author	Sara Fox, Assistant Voice Manager – Shetland and Orkney. Additions in the Consultation and Risk boxes of Cover paper: Matt Sierocinski King (Board Secretary)		
Action requested	For noting		
Purpose of the paper	To provide a summary of HISA activities throughout the Academic Year 2022/23		
Brief summary of the paper	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to the local HISA Team • Update on democratic engagement, Student Voice Reps and HISA Awards • Update on HISA events and activities • Update on clubs and societies and officer campaigns 		
Consultation	<p>Learning, Teaching and Research Committee discussed this matter at their Quarter 4 meeting. The draft minute of this agenda item states:</p> <p><i>“Miss Fox (HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney) introduced the HISA Shetland Annual Report, and spoke about the resignation of Ms Lucock (Student Director) and the resulting impact. She spoke about the impact of Student Voice Representatives at UHI Shetland and their engagement. She spoke about the events put on for 2022 UHI Shetland Freshers, along with inviting students to shaping events for the future including a student wide survey.</i></p> <p><i>Moving to the topic of Student Activities, the HISA Assistant Voice Manager – Shetland and Orkney, spoke about the lack of engagement from students in sports and societies, and the barrier set centrally within HISA of 10 members for a club or society, which has since been rescinded from HISA centrally. She spoke about the new dedicated HISA Advice Service.</i></p> <p><i>On the topic of Officer structure at HISA Shetland, the HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney, spoke to the decision made by the former CEO of HISA and the first HISA Shetland Depute President of 2022-2023, Mr McCormack, to make the role of HISA Lerwick Officer redundant and to</i></p>		

	<p><i>absorb the hours of this role into the HISA Shetland Depute President role. She also confirmed that HISA is now a real living wage employer.</i></p> <p><i>The Committee discussed the report, focused on the challenge of retention of officers. The HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney, spoke about the focus on Student Voice Representatives as a means of boosting student engagement, including the challenges in engaging students in classrooms, and involvement with sparqs. The discussion also focused on building social structures within the student community in Shetland. Doctor Clarke (Teaching Staff Director) spoke about representation, particularly about networked student representation. The HISA Assistant Voice Manager – Shetland and Orkney, agreed and empathised with the points raised.</i></p> <p><i>Ms Beer (Student Director) spoke about a lack of dedicated student-only space serving as a challenge. Professor Lewis (Principal) confirmed, as part of the campus redevelopment project, which is due to get underway next academic year, the design of such student-only spaces will go out to students for consultation.</i></p> <p><i>The Committee also discussed the topic of student engagement opportunities for induction, including with HISA. Discussion also focused on whether regional team could be in attendance at such events. The HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney, also spoke about the clash of induction events that she experienced as a student, along with how to expand the support for incentivisation for student engagement in the future. She informed the Committee about the difference between the role of staff members in Students' Associations and the role of elected officers in Students' Associations, stating that elected officers are needed to take the lead on student matters. The Committee discussed the scheduling and the recruitment of the by-election for the HISA Shetland Depute President.</i></p> <p><i>The HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney, left the meeting at the end of this agenda item. Mr Briggs (Head of Section) joined the meeting during this agenda item.</i></p> <p>Action: <i>The HISA Assistant Voice Manager - Shetland and Orkney, is to pass on the comments of the Committee back to the HISA Senior Management Team.”</i></p> <p>Miss Fox has since advised that her action on this matter is now complete.</p>
<p>Resource implications</p>	<p>None</p>

Risk implications	Governance Risk 6. Code of Good Governance Section B.
Link with strategy	Sustainability
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Island Community Impact	N/A
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