



THE NUTRITION SOCIETY
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Annual Review of the Supporter Policy
October 2024 - September 2025

Introduction

With the introduction of the updated Society's Supporter Policy in October 2023, the Society's Trustees committed to an annual review of the Policy taking place each October. The Trustees completed their 2025 review at their recent 14th October meeting. This report outlines the findings of the annual review.

Supporter Activity October 2024 – September 2025

The table below details the external support received by the Society for the period October 2024 – September 2025, totalling £6,900:

Event/other	Name of supporter	Nature of Contribution	Use of Funds
Winter Conference January 2025	Liptons Teas	Sponsored satellite symposium, not in the main scientific programme. Donation £2500	Funds used to partially offset development costs of creating a recorded version of the Winter Conference
Winter Conference January 2025	Quaker Oats (PepsiCo)	Sponsored satellite symposium, not in the main scientific programme. Donation £3600	Funds used to partially offset development costs of creating a recorded version of the Winter Conference
NS Futures September 2025	Yakult	Provision of 6 student bursaries to attend the conference. Donation £300	Student Bursaries to attend the conference.
NS Futures September 2025	Mark Hollingsworth	Provision of 8 student bursaries to attend the conference. Donation £500	Student Bursaries to attend the conference.

Recommended Enhancements to the Supporter Policy Process

Noting the limited need to apply the policy in 2024/25, the Trustees also noted no suggested amendments had been proposed either by the Society or by supporters. The Trustees therefore agreed no changes would be needed to the policy for 2025/26.

However, in seeking to continuously improve the process for the evaluation of potential supporters and partners (applicable to both the public and private sector), the Trustees discussed, and eventually agreed to, the introduction for 2025/26 of an enhanced application process. An application form was proposed, which will require all potential supporters to complete and submit additional data and information when offering to support the work of the Society. The application form will be 'public-facing' and downloadable from the Society's website. Moreover, it was agreed to widen the current supporter review/approval process from the Society's Treasurer and CEO, to include the new Trustee position of Trustee for External Engagement.

It was agreed the application would be introduced in November 2025, ready to be used by potential supporters for the Society's next Congress being held in July 2026.

The application form/process, in addition to the Supporter Policy, will next be reviewed by the Trustees in October 2026, and should assist the Trustees in continuing to develop the appropriate level of transparency required in enacting the policy.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees
3 November 2025