



Conference Grants Application Marking Scheme 2025/6

Applications will be reviewed and scored independently by at least three Nutrition Society Trustees, Advisory Council Members and/or Science Committee Members. These marks will then be combined.

A total of **50 marks** will be awarded by each of the assessors, as follows:

- **Conference details – 10 marks:**

The proposed conference / meeting / workshop will be considered in respect of suitability for the topic/abstract being presented, how the event is relevant to the applicant, and how it demonstrates advancement of the science of nutrition.

- **Scientific excellence – 30 marks:**

Abstracts will be considered based on the quality and relevance to nutritional science, the substance of the results, and originality. Marks will also be awarded for the following:

- Clear objectives/ methodology/conclusion
- Clearly presented results, including details of statistics, if relevant.
- References (as applicable).

- **Value for money – 5 marks:**

Proposed travel, and accommodation costs will be considered for relevance to the area/time of the conference. Demonstration of the ability to co-fund and/or show best value will be taken into account.

Personal impact – 5 marks:

An indication of how attending the proposed conference / event will positively impact the individuals career development and/or future career aspirations in nutritional science (or an appropriate related discipline). Stage of career may be considered.

The applicants with the highest aggregate scores will then be awarded a conference grant. The amount of each individual award will be dependent on the grant funding available.