



BLACK ISLE FARMERS' SOCIETY 2017

Educational/Vocational Bursary Application Form



The Black Isle Farmers' Society Bursary is open to young people between the ages of 16 -26 years that is, between their 16th and 26th birthdays at the closing date of 31st May 2017. Applications are invited from people who live, study or work in the Highlands and Islands or have strong connections to the area.

- Applications are invited from **individuals only**
- Previous applicants can apply each year subject to the qualifying criteria
- Applicants applying for assistance with travel related projects or larger amounts may be required to complete a further form and/or may be required to attend an interview. Successful recipients of larger awards will be asked to give a presentation to a meeting of Society members i.e. Annual General Meeting, Trophy Presentation event, President's Dinner
- Successful applicants **will need to present evidence** of how they have benefited from the award and will be expected to attend an awards presentation (this will most likely be held at the Black Isle Show)
- In addition successful applicants will have to have an involvement in Black Isle Farmers' Society events and activities during the year most especially the Black Isle Show on the first Thursday in August each year.

Awards will be made subject to availability of funds. Awards will be made at the discretion of the Bursary Panel and each application will be treated on its own merits. There will be two main areas of award Vocational and Educational.

Examples:

- Agriculture
- Agri-Business
- Agricultural Engineering
- Agri-Food
- Animal Science
- Diversification Projects
- IT and innovative projects
- Countryside Management
- Land Management
- Rural Environment
- Training Courses for Spraying Ticket; Forklift Ticket; Trailer Ticket; Vertebrate Control

Please note that the above list is not exhaustive of courses and training that may be considered for assistance from the 2017 Bursary Scheme. If you think that your particular course, award or training will fit with the criteria above please apply.

CONDITIONS OF AWARDS

The Society reserve the right to pay any award in installments, and should this be deemed appropriate they will advise successful applicants as necessary.

Awards should be used within 6 months of the award, and the Society will monitor this. Any extension to this period is solely at the discretion of the society.

The society reserve the right to recall all or part of the funding awarded if the conditions of the award are not met.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name		First		Title	
Address					
Town		County		Postcode	
Phone		E-mail Address			
Occupation					
Full or Part time					

COURSE

Tell us about the course/activity/project that you wish to undertake. If appropriate please include where you are going to study this course or activity or who with (training body, Machinery Ring etc), how long the course is, if full or part time or how many days per week it is, when you will start and what qualification you hope to achieve on completion.

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Tell us why you want to do this course or activity, and what you hope will follow on from it

Please include: explain how a financial award if successful, could assist you with your course/training/project etc. Please also include details of your current work or study and how if you receive award the BIFS Bursary Scheme this will assist you in the future.

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Personal Statement

Tell us something about yourself.

This can be clubs, societies, organisations you are involved with. Voluntary work that you do. Hobbies, sports or leisure activities that you enjoy. Anything that you would like us to know about you. Please also include your association with the local area and details.

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the information I have given is correct.

I understand that if I successful in being awarded a bursary that I will be required to become involved in some of the Society's events and activities and that I will also be required to provide feedback as deemed necessary.

Please detail below what help you could give the Black Isle Farmers' Society

Signature

Date

COMPLETED FORMS

Once completed, please return this form with any other relevant documentation, including a confirmation (if relevant) of your enrolment, acceptance and/or progress in your course (whichever is applicable), and return it to the **Black Isle Farmers' Society, Bursary Application, Mannsfield, Muir of Ord, IV6 7RS**
Tel: 01463 870870

If you have any queries relating to this application or its submission please contact us.

PLEASE NOTE ONLY HARD COPY APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY POST TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

CLOSING DATE

Applications must be submitted by 31st May 2017