



VISION STATEMENT

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Candidate Team Name	
<p>Joining MMU as a Postgraduate student with an existing love for all sports, there was a sense of excitement in seeing the various sports teams existing at the Uni, but being new to a sport like American football, I realized that there was limited content about sports on the University website or at least a link referring people to the MMU YouTube sports channel (which need new facilities videos and more live streams). This was just the first thing I noticed before coming to the University.</p> <p>When I arrived, I had an idea similar to the well-regarded Fresher's fair, but as an addition for both freshers and current students to enjoy and participate in, this would help form relationships between the students, especially the freshers, giving them a sense of the sport teams in the University, Facilities, and a free-to-participate concept, this could essentially be regarded in the long term as "MMU Sports Fair." This event could take place at any of the University's affiliated facilities (Sugden or Platt Lane). Still, because of restrictions on showcasing all the sports teams, it could serve as an avenue to showcase the beautiful city of Manchester through a consistent collaboration with a larger facility, such as Manchester Regional Arena (aka Sportcity). It has all the facilities to showcase most, if not all the sports teams except Swimming, it gives students a sense of adventure as it's a 30min bus ride, close to the Etihad stadium (might be a problem for United fans like myself but a chance to visit rivals) and at the conclusion of the event all students regardless of if they participated would be sent a feedback where they can talk about any improvements to the fair and which sport team they would like to join (attached to each sport team would be their social media handles so it helps them stay up to date on tryouts and training times).</p> <p>As part of a team at MMU, I realized there was a big discrepancy between existing members and incoming ones, which often led most of them to quit and not show up anymore. This fair also solves that problem because each sports team member would have full autonomy over the events and activities they wish to engage in, which I believe would help foster familiarity and relationships with members (new or old).</p>	

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