

# **FRAMEWORK**

for the Development of Strong and Effective College Students' Associations in Scotland







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The way in which your students' association and college work together enables students to represent themselves and create change.

## **PRINCIPLES**

How well are the five Principles embedded in the culture of the students' association and the college?

### **Autonomous**

Is the students' association able to speak and act autonomously?

### **Partnered**

Does the students' association and the college have a strong, positive relationship and work in partnership?

#### **Accountable**

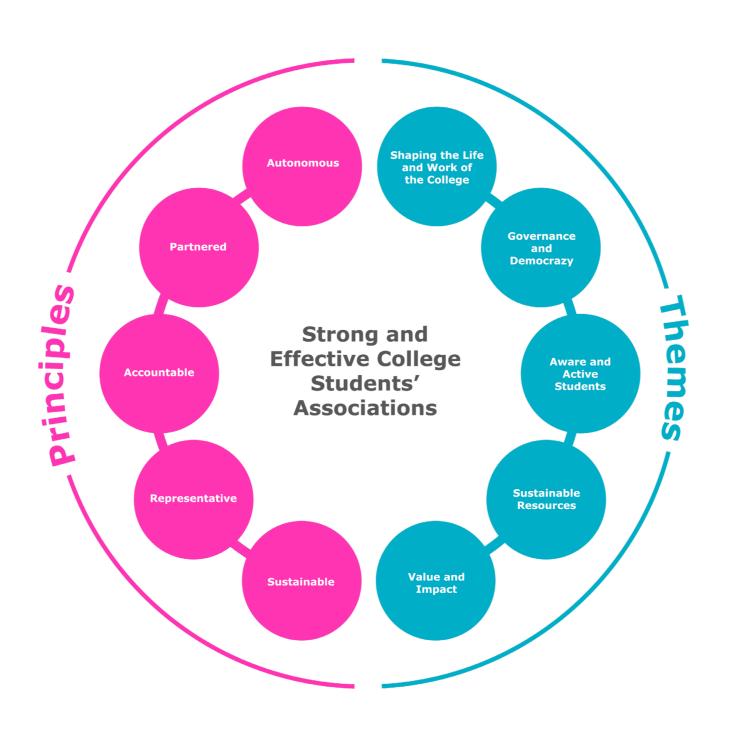
Is the students' association accountable to the right people for its policies, priorities, and governance?

### Representative

Is the students' association's mandate set by its students, and is it able to represent their interests and achieve change on their behalf?

### Sustainable

Is the students' association able to sustain its planning, development, and relationship with the college over multiple years?



# **THEMES**

Does the students' association and college have processes, procedures, and structures in place which the able the students' association to represent the interests of its students and to create positive change on their behalf?

# Shaping the Life and Work of the College

What processes and procedures are in place to ensure that the students' association has the ability to shape decisions which impact on the student experience?

### **Governance and Democracy**

Does the association have an effective democratic structure in place which enables it to function democratically and represent the interests of its student members?

### **Aware and Active Students**

What processes and procedures are in place to ensure that all students are aware of the purpose of the students' association, and are active within it?

### Sustainable Resources

Does the students' association have the resources and support it needs to function effectively and deliver its core representative purpose?

## Value and Impact

What processes and procedures are in place that support the students' association to identify its aims and objectives, plan its delivery, and measure its impact?