



UNION COUNCIL MOTION

Title of motion:

Relocation of Environment and Ethics from Inclusivity and Diversity zone to the Governance Zone

HUU Notes:

1. The title of “Welfare and Community” was altered to “Inclusivity and Diversity” by the board of trustees in February 2019.
2. Inclusivity and Diversity is better representative of protected characteristics i.e. Sexuality, Gender, Disability, Ethnicity.
3. Environment and Ethics was relocated into the Welfare Zone at the beginning of 2017/2018 because of a misunderstanding of the purpose of the role.
4. Environment and Ethics is about holding the union and university to account on their practices and environmental impact as institutions rather than student wellbeing.
5. Environment and Ethics is a governance orientated role rather than a protected characteristic.

HUU Believes:

1. As Environment and Ethics does not represent the interests of a protected characteristic and is a governance orientated role it would be more fitting for Environment and Ethics to be located within the “Governance Zone”.
2. SO 5003 (Environment and Ethics) lacks clarity on the nature of the role and should be re-written to avoid misunderstanding in the future.

HUU Resolves:

1. That “M.1718-1 Motion to move the part-time officer position of Environment and Ethics Officer from the Governance Zone to the Welfare and Community zone” be repealed.
2. That SO 5003 (Environment and Ethics) is amended as appended with immediate effect.



Proposer: Andrew Costigan (President Inclusivity and Diversity)

Seconded: Rory Hamill (Chair of LINKS/ Unit Manager)

Phoebe Bastiani (Women's Officer)

SO 1003

STANDING ORDER GOVERNING THE ENVIRONMENT AND ETHICS REPRESENTATIVE

1. Interpretation

These Standing Orders shall be read in conjunction with the Constitution, Bye Laws and the relevant Standing Orders of Hull University Union and shall be interpreted accordingly.

2. Status of Officer

The Environment and Ethics Representative shall be responsible for reviewing the environmental impact of Hull University Union and the University of Hull and the associated ethics of their practices.



The Environment and Ethics Representative is responsible to the President of HUU.

3. Election

The Environment and Ethics Representative shall be elected in accordance with Hull University Union election regulations in SO 8001. They will be elected once per academic year through union-wide elections and voted for by students who are full members of HUU as defined in the Bye-laws.

4. Duties

The Environment and Ethics Representative:

- (a) Inform students on issues of environmental impact, ethical issues locally, regionally and nationally
- (b) Participate in relevant university and union working groups pertaining to issues of sustainability and environmental impact
- (c) Organise and run campaigns to lobby for change in practices by Hull University Union and the University of Hull
- (d) Work towards Hull University Union leading the student union movement in both innovation and participation on environmental and ethical issues

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