

Imperial College Union Council Report

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Introduction

My focus aspects for the year: sustainability, service quality, communication and engagement.

Report on Progress

Goal 1 - Union Breakfast

- No progress since last report 2 weeks ago

Goal 2 – Union bars sustainability review

- No progress since last report 2 weeks ago

Goal 3 - College food provisions

- No progress since last report 2 weeks ago

Goal 4 - Shop Extra offerings review

- No progress since last report 2 weeks ago

Goal 5 – Accessibility: Be more transparent where Union income is spent

Has been fed back to me that a lot of students don't understand where our money is spent, especially in regards to why our bars make a profit. I shall be looking into the annual budget and all income/expenditure to try create a document or infographic to explain this simply to all students.

Operational Achievements

Newspapers in Shop Extra (Action from last Union Council)

- Shop owner, commercial services head and finance team informed of changes
- Anti-racism charity/campaign picked with Ansh (paper proposer): 'Stop Funding Hate'
- Payment method set up for monthly donations to 'Stop Funding Hate'
- Discussions with Hilary Guite (Non-Faculty Representative to Council), about the process of raising complaints with the Independent Press Standards Organisation (IPSO), and a call to any students interested to email me to get involved (in Felix/blog)
- Felix article and blog post written and to be released 09/11/18, informing whole student population on Council discussion and outcome

Hired a Shop Assistant (Clothing)

- Shortlisting and interviewing should be completed by 08/11/18

Training

- Completed Active Bystander training
- Completed GDPR training
- Shall be completing Recruitment and Selection Interview Level 2 training on the 16/11/18

Beit Bars

- Out of budget expenditure approved for creating guest access cards to the Union Offices so bar staff have can have a quiet space to take breaks and a place to store/reheat own meals
- Cards requested to be made

Communications

- Felix article & blog written (see Newspapers above)
- My student trustee profile written

Clubs

- Helping clubs create contracts between them and their coaches/trainers

Minibuses

- Shall be looking into rewriting the Minibus Policy

End of Year Audit

- Completed
- Annual Budget 2017/18 report signed off by Board of Trustees

Chargebox

- Contract renewed
- Talking with College to get more on campus, paid by College but registered under the same site, which would allow both parties to gain more of a group discount

Investment

- Investments now made, via Rathbones.

Items for Discussion

None this time.

Want to know more? Have any thoughts, ideas, questions? Please get in contact!

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