

**Changing the meeting place of the Union Council  
Union Council  
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**Union Notes**

- i. Imperial College Union has been set up in order to promote and enable student activities.
- ii. Imperial College Union offers facilities in Beit Bulding like Union Dining Hall (UDH) or Union Concert Hall for societies to organise their trainings, practices, meet-ups free of charge.
- iii. Multiple societies rely on the Union spaces in Beit to hold their trainings, practices, meet-ups because they cannot afford better facilities outside of the Union.
- iv. Union Council holds their meetings in UDH.
- v. Cheerleading's trainings are compulsory; therefore, we tell people in advance when they are so everyone can schedule their life around them. This means that many people schedule other activities for days other than Tuesday. This means if training is switched to Wednesday, members would have to change their activities or not show up.
- vi. Wednesdays are social nights, which means it is much harder to incentivise people to come to training when they have this night reserved for socials.
- vii. Within and outside of cheerleading, many societies rely on coaches with whom they have contracts for specific dates that cannot be easily rescheduled.

**Union Believes**

- i. While multiple societies, for example, martial arts, cheerleading and Funkology, cannot organise their respective activities outside of the Union, the Union Council can easily move their meeting to another place within the Union or the College.
- ii. UDH has high ceilings and hard floor, which makes it irreplaceable to activities like dance, cheerleading and some martial arts. On the other hand, Union rooms e.g. meeting rooms used by societies to partake in mental instead of physical activities can easily be replaced by an alternative room in the Union or the College.
- iii. Union Council holding their meetings in UDH, negatively influences societies, who have to cancel or move their activities to worse quality facilities, thus contradicting the Union's original aim of enabling and promoting student activities.
- iv. It is a bigger inconvenience for societies to reschedule their events and training sessions in UDH, which rely on specific timings and locations, than it would be for Union Council to take place in a different venue.

**Union Resolves**

The Union Council should move their meetings to a room/facility within the Union or College that does not prevent student activities from taking place and influencing them negatively and stop using UDH for Union Council meetings.