

BYE LAW SEVEN: UNION POLICY

1. Policy Making Principles & Authority

- 1.1. Representative and campaigning policy are set by Referenda, Annual General Meeting or the Better Staffs Forum.
- 1.2. Referenda are superior to Annual General Meetings (and Better Staffs Forum) and can overturn their policy decisions.
- 1.3. Annual General Meetings are superior to Better Staffs Forum and can overturn their policy decisions, but not those of referenda.
- 1.4. Policy is only subject to the authority of the Board of Trustees on the grounds of financial considerations, charity or education law or other legal requirements (including ultra vires), reputation or risk to the Union.
- 1.5. Policy shall be binding on all Committees, Officers, Officials or employees acting on behalf of the Union.
- 1.6. Policy shall not contradict the Students' Union Constitution or any education or charity legislation.
- 1.7. Any policy rejected will not be proposed again for one year from the date of rejection; this includes simply rephrasing or dressing the motion in another guise.
- 1.8. If a rejected motion is suspected of being redressed or resubmitted, the decision to remove or continue with the motion shall lie with the Chair.

2. Policy

- 2.1. Policy shall legislate on fundamental principles related to the aims and objectives of the Students' Union and shall exclude reactive, political statements related to current affairs
- 2.2. Policy shall last for three years, unless rescinded by a higher body.
- 2.3. The policy may be re-considered for re-adoption after it has expired, otherwise it will lapse.

3. Policy File

- 3.1. A member of staff nominated by the Chief Executive will be responsible for maintaining and publishing current policy on line.