

The London Olympics 2012 Support Motion

This Union Notes

1. The 2012 Summer Olympics, officially known as the Games of the XXX Olympiad, will be held in London, United Kingdom from 27 July to 12 August 2012. London will become the first city to host the modern Olympic Games three times, having previously done so in 1908 and 1948.
2. The 2012 Summer Paralympics Games will be the fourteenth Paralympics and will take place between 29 August 2012 and 9 September 2012. The Games will be held in London, United Kingdom after the city was successful with its bid for the Paralympics and Summer Olympic Games.
3. The 2012 Olympics will use a mixture of newly built venues, existing and temporary facilities, including the 80,000 seat Olympic Stadium and the new Wembley Stadium. The majority of venues have been divided into three zones within Greater London: the Olympic Zone, the River Zone and the Central Zone. Some additional venues are, by necessity, outside the boundaries of Greater London, for example the sailing events are being held in Weymouth Dorset.
4. In the wake of the problems that plagued the Millennium Dome, the intention is that there will be no “white elephants” left over after the games. Some of the new facilities will be reused in their Olympic form, while others will be reduced in size and several will be relocated elsewhere in the UK. The plans will contribute to the regeneration of Stratford in east London which will be the site of the Olympic Park, and of the neighbouring Lower Lea Valley.
5. There will be 8 million tickets for the Olympic Games themselves, and a further 1.6 million for the Paralympics. Organisers say that 75 per cent of all tickets will cost less than £50 and offer free travel on London transport, with the cheapest tickets for the athletics starting at £15. Additionally, there will be 20,000 £10 tickets for the Olympic Park to watch events on big screens.

The union believes

1. That London 2012 Games are a good thing for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK)
2. That there should be tickets available for students
3. That the Olympic gamers in 2012 shall help rejuvenate sports facilities throughout the UK
4. that the Olympic games should be made accessible for view by all by the means of it being shown on terrestrial television

The union resolves

1. To support the London 2012 Olympic Games
2. To campaign for more and cheaper tickets for University students to both the Olympic and the Paralympic Games
3. That the Olympics and Para Olympics shall be shown in the Students Union bar facilities when possible

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