

UBU Motion on Campus Redevelopment and Communal Space

This Union Notes:

1. That the University is investing millions in new buildings and facilities on campus.
2. That the current (communal building) Meeting Rooms are outdated and unsuited to the needs of most societies.
3. That redevelopment at other Universities has often, in fact, meant building facilities that are more geared to the conference market than to student's needs.
4. That redevelopment plans call for the Union offices to be moved into a single, open-plan space.

This Union Believes:

1. That having decent communal spaces on campus is vital to the student experience, particularly when students lack the money to socialise in traditional, commercial setting.
2. That bookable Meeting Rooms are a major asset for many societies, but that currently neither the Meeting Rooms, nor the Union Boardroom, provide a suitable space.
3. That new communal spaces and meeting rooms are needed to cater for smaller societies, and those that want a less formal feel to their meetings.
4. That new Student Union office space must be easily accessible, and placed in a prominent position on campus.

This Union Resolves:

1. To ensure the University focuses on Student needs, both academic and social, throughout the redevelopment.
2. To Lobby for new society meeting rooms and for communal space within halls.
3. To ensure that any relocation of the Union's offices maintains accessibility for students.

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