

## **UBU Media Areas**

### **This union notes:**

1. That UBU has a legacy of strong media areas, in particular Ramair.
2. That Kinetic has had no noticeable output since October 2005.
3. That membership of Kinetic has been at a particularly low level during this academic year.
4. That current membership fees for Ramair are £5 and for Kinetic are £2.
5. That Kinetic has a new editor with a difficult task ahead of them.

### **This union believes:**

1. That strong print media is essential for the union to communicate effectively to the wider student body.
2. That involvement in the publishing of a student magazine provides valuable work experience for students, particularly those hoping to work in the media in the future.
3. That it is not common media practice for people to have to pay before they can submit work for consideration by a publication.
4. That due to the fact that Kinetic output has been minimal and the executive disorganised, student confidence and interest in the magazine is very low. People are therefore unwilling to pay membership costs for the remainder of this academic year.

### **This union resolves:**

1. To review and if possible improve funding for print media areas within the union.
2. To waive membership fees for Kinetic for the remainder of the academic year and to consider the possibility of permanently removing the requirement of paid membership for media areas.
3. To review the running of Kinetic to ensure that output is more regular in future.

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