

Sports centre putting students first, not profit.

This Union notes:

1. That £5 million is being spent on the re-development of the sports centre.
2. They are increasing the gym and decreasing the sports hall, and studio space which are the two areas our students.
3. They are moving the entrance to make it more “public friendly”.
4. They are changing the swimming pool changing facilities to unisex.
5. Part of the refurbishment is taking place at the beginning of the academic year hitting sports and societies the hardest.
6. Bradford has a top class basketball, Ultimate Frisbee and archery teams.

This Union believes:

1. That a refurbishment of the sports centre needs to take place but the University should protect sports teams.
2. University of Bradford students should come first and the sports centre refurbishment should be about them and not about making money.
3. Although we recognise the importance of community engagement this should not be at the expense of student involvement.
4. Wet unisex changing facilities should not be provided at the expense of team and gender defined changing facilities and a mix should be provided.
5. That the proposed changes to the sports centre would mean a number of clubs would suffer.

This Union resolves:

1. For the university to immediately redress these concerns and make sure that the sports facilities for clubs and students are not reduced.
2. We will refuse to support the University with plans that are not student orientated.
3. That the Union led by the Sports and Societies officer will lobby the University to this effect, through negotiations and engagement with students, staff and management.
 - If discussions fail the Union is to use organise action that will directly show the University the feeling of students. The Union will consult all students on the best course of action if this occurs.
4. For this policy to be reviewed in a years time.

Proposed and Seconded by **Executive Committee**

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