

## Suicide Awareness Campaign

After a series of recent student suicides, the SU were approached by a student who wanted to start a campaign to provide all students with training around recognising the signs that someone may be suicidal. We have put the student in touch with Elaine Brown in order to explore the potential of embedding this within PDT as well as student services to see if there is a way we can link up with any work Counselling and Wellbeing are doing.

At this stage, while the student is sorting out the logistical details of working with Elaine and SS, they would like to invite Samaritans onto campus to campus to talk to students about the work that they do. This will take place on the Chelmsford campus on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

However, in order to have an external organisation on campus to promote the work they do, there is a £150 charge as they are essentially using the university to advertise themselves. I have brought this budget request to exec as, although it is not an exec campaign, it is very much in line with our ongoing commitment to supporting student mental health.

As such, I urge exec to **APPROVE** this budget request.