

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

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My campaigns, policy and other work



### My Officer update

*Hi Everyone,*

*As you can see I am unable to attend this exec as I am away on annual leave, therefore, this month's update will be slightly different.*

#### **Update on exec actions**

- *In conversation with Damion (FBL Rep Chelmsford) to arrange a meeting*
- *I have been unable to arrange a meeting with Gold (international rep), please carry this action forward.*

### PROJECT PLANNING FOR THE YEAR AHEAD

Working on

Over the summer, I have began project planning for the following campaigns:

#### **Brexit:Impact on Education (ACTIVE POLICY)**

Aim: to fulfil this policy, that was created by and voted in by ARU students.

Action taken forward:

- Collaborating with the uni to tackle against hate crime. 1) Create a video that outlining student rights, student agreement and student support (inclusive language/hate crime/areas of support/student rights and student agreement (link: the nus video) 2) write an article to put into the student handbook.
- Lobby the university on relevant sections of the policy and monitor progress.
- Working in collaboration with NUS Union Development Officer on how we can represent ARU on a National level as well as developing an action plan alongside NUS and other unions in which best way to support our students.

Link to policy:

<https://www.angliastudent.com/pageassets/represent/thegroupchat/april19/Minor-amendment-GC1919-Policy-submission-Brexit-Policy-The-Group-Chat-April.pdf>

**\*\* Question to Exec\*\***: would exec support the students union involvement within the people's vote if ARU students wanted the Union to support this\*\* (thinking about the students that did not get to vote and referring back to the impact on education and the brexit policy\*\*

#### **ARUaccessible**

Aim: To improve overall signage on campus

Aim 2: To address the overall need for access on campus

**Accreditation of co-curricular activities** (UCPD – University Certificate in Professional Development)

This will be promoted as co-curricular opportunity/value added module, which is subject for validation of academic credits.

This will be pilot tested within the faculty of Business and Law.

My manifesto also stated “**develop and seek to improve our counselling and wellbeing services**” this action is being incorporated within the Mental health team campaign.

**Other relevant updates**

- *Attended the Augar review in focus at houses of parliament*
- *Travelled to leads to attend second year NUS training at Lead and Change*
- *Visited UEA to attend Southern Conference, this opportunity provided the officers with training and networking opportunities*

**Officer visibility**

- *Working on enhancing officer visibility this year starting with the “Officer Weekly Updates”*
- *Investigating in other ways we can be more visible to students.*

**All things Business and Law Faculty**

*Over the summer, I have been working with the faculty on the following:*

- *Redesign of the FPT*
- *Developing the feedback policy*
- *You said... we listened - planning lecture visits in TRI1 to second and third years, presenting on changes we have made as a faculty and union*
- *Scrapped the Student Advisory Board (SAB) and developed a Student Leadership Development Program.*
- *SSLC actions and recommendations.*