

# EXPERIENCE OFFICER (ESSEX) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	11/01/16
Name:	Leigh Rooney	Action:	To note

**Summary:** This paper provides an update on the priority campaign(s) of the Executive Officer

#### Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

- Experience Feedback Board
- Developments in Chelmsford
- Global Week
- Increase in clubs and societies
- Don't judge a book by it's cover

# Progress on priority campaign(s)

#### 1. Experience Feedback Board

- This campaign will be an active method of gaining feedback, thoughts and comments physically and directly from students
- It's ready!!!! Grand unveiling at the Chelmsford Refreshers Fair ⊚⊚⊙⊚⊚⊚

#### 2. Developments in Chelmsford

- I have been undertaking vision visits to different universities around the country exploring the different interpretations of 'student hubs'.
- Some of the universities I have visited include Hertfordshire and Bournemouth
- Alongside these visits myself and Matt have had regular meetings with David Humber the Chelmsford Provost to discuss the possible developments of a 'student hub' on the Chelmsford campus. These conversations have been wide spread around what the purpose of the building will be, what will be inside and how it will benefit students.

#### 3. Global Week

- I have had several meetings with Caroline Shannahan, Evis Bakiri and different groups of students to discuss ideas and possible things to include in global week
- There has been a working group set up via email with the students who attended the meeting and those interested in taking part in global week
- I have contacted all clubs and societies to engage them with the project I have had little responses but I will talk about it in the next societies forum
- We have decided a vague deadline in December to have ideas to be able to create a plan for the week

#### 4. Increase in clubs and societies

- Following the Chelmsford Freshers' Fair in September, we have had 4 new societies set up by students. These include a Yoga and Wellness Society, Alpine Society and Mental Health Awareness Society.
- I have had 1-1's with these committee members to help them to understand what is required to successfully run a society and develop their leadership skills.
- Sarah and I have been working on liaising with the university faculties to encourage the development of course based societies. We have had responses and are hopeful that this will flourish.

## 5. 'Don't Judge a Book By It's Cover' Campaign

- I aim to launch this campaign in semester two to educate and engage students with the world of equality and reality. I will update further on my plans for this nearer the time. If you have any questions regarding it I am happy to talk about it verbally.

### An update on engagement with coach and mentor/mentee(s)

I have met with Tom Manville a number of times – he is a great help in terms of listening and providing support on a daily basis.

Other points for the committee to note: