

INCREASED EQUALITY FOR VEGAN STUDENTS POLICY

Prepared for:	Faculty Voice Committee (FVC) and Liberation, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (LEDIC)	Date:	20/06/2018 Due to lapse: November 2018
Prepared by:	Johanna Korhonen	Role:	Vice President (Arts, Law & Social Sciences)

Summary: This paper provides an update on the implementation of the policy

1. More vegan options will first be provided in the existing catering services around university.	COMPLETED
2. All clubs and societies will be required to provide vegan alternatives at any event they hold or, if not possible, to inform their attendees that vegan options will not be available. I have spoken to Abi and for next year offering vegan options will be embedded in the society bronze/silver/gold award, it will be included in the inclusion aspect of equality impact assessment form, and in the Inclusivity award criteria.	COMPLETED
3. Vegan options within the catering services at university will be placed separately from the non-vegan options – this is to allow ease of access for vegan students. I have emailed Terry and he said it depends on the staff who put the sandwiches out.	IN PROGRESS
4. Vegan options will be widely advertised and actively promoted throughout university. This was advertised through 30 Days Vegan Pledge. The environment team said it might be more effective if the Students' Union does this through future campaigns.	
5. The University's Environment Team will be encouraged to consider the impact of meat, dairy and egg consumption on the environment and to take steps to address this issue. I have raised this with the Environment team and they said they do address this but future campaign might emphasise this.	IN PROGRESS
6. All catering services around university will be required to participate in "Meatless Mondays". Catering trialled a 'soft version' where they have put the vegetarian/vegan option as the first item on the menu and they monitored the impact on sales and they will keep me updated.	
7. 30 day Vegan Pledge will be advertised throughout university - Vegan Pledge took place from November 20 th till 19 th December	COMPLETED

Updates:

- 1. Catering have added two weeks to their menus (was 4, now 6 week rolling menu) ensuring that there is a vegan option every day.
- 2. I have arranged to meet with Terry (Head of Catering) and the Environment team to discuss the policy
- 3. Catering are trialling a 'soft/trial version' of 'meatless Mondays' where they have put the vegetarian/vegan option as the first item on the menu and they are monitoring if this impacts the sales they will keep me updated.