



INCREASED EQUALITY FOR VEGAN STUDENTS POLICY

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	15/03/17
Name:	Grace Anderson	Action:	To note
Summary: <i>This paper provides an update on the implementation of the policy</i>			
Union Resolves:			Completed, in progress or not started
1. More vegan options will first be provided in the existing catering services around university.			Not started
2. All clubs and societies will be required to provide at least one vegan option at any event they hold or, if not possible, to inform their attendees that vegan options will not be available.			In progress
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.			Not started
4. (If possible) Separate catering services will be provided at the University for Vegan Students, such as a “Vegan Café” – this will prevent any cross-contamination of food due to their being produced separately. It will also mean that vegan students have a safe space to go to where they will not risk being called out for being vegan. This could be implemented by changing one of the many existing catering services around university into a “Vegan Space”.			In progress
5. Vegan options will be widely advertised and actively promoted throughout university.			Not started
6. 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.			In progress
7. All catering services around university will be required to participate in “Meatless Mondays”.			Not started
8. PETA’s 30-day Vegan Pledge will be advertised throughout university			Not started
Updates/notes:			
1. Leigh will add this into a meeting with catering about general food options and provisions across all campuses. She will ask what the current situation is			

and how this can be changed for the future if necessary, particularly in relation to accessing the food as students feel the vegan options are hidden at the back. She will suggest it's something that catering and the environment team will run together. Sarah is creating a survey to get more information on variety and types of food vegan students want to see.

Update: The survey was created and circulated and Sarah has created a detailed report with recommendations to be taken forward. GA to arrange a meeting to discuss the next steps.

2. This will be implemented into clubs and societies emails, training and literature by Jamie and Precious. Grace is asking about this becoming a requirement of the green fund.
3. To be updated after meeting with University Catering.
4. Leigh will write a paper for the Space and Sustainability Campus meeting on the 7th March with Sarah looking at ideal space and financial feasibility.
5. Union Notes 5 and 8 will be combined into one campaign ran by Sarah and the Vegan Society with our support. Grace and relevant staff to meet with Sarah and assist with planning the campaign.

Update: Provisional meeting in place to discuss a campaign during the 2nd week of April

6. Kat will take this to our internal Green Impact meeting and the universities Biodiversity Steering Group. She will keep Sarah updated by email of the progress.

Update: This is ongoing

7. **Update: Provisional meeting in place to discuss a campaign during the 2nd week of April**
8. Union Notes 5 and 8 will be combined into one campaign ran by Sarah and the Vegan Society with our support. It has been agreed with Sarah that the 30 day Vegan Pledge will be an ARU pledge rather than a PETA pledge. This will be part of the meeting detailed in point 5.

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