

LGBT+ STUDENTS' REP (CHELMSFORD) REPORT

For the attention of:	Executive Committee	Taking place on:	04/05/16
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Summary: This paper provides an update on the priority campaign(s) of the Executive Committee member

Priority campaign(s) and objective(s)

Campaigns

- Transgender awareness posters in toilets- Across all 3 campuses.
- Gender/Sex questionnaire inclusion policy
- LGBT+ society

Other events

- LGBT+ history month
- GIAG Pride/ARU pride

Progress on priority campaign(s)

Campaigns

Trans awareness posters in toilets

I have emailed Grace for permission to reuse the posters that were previously used in the Cambridge campus. I have been given numbers of singular toilets on Chelmsford campus. I now need to calculate how many posters are needed for this to go ahead. I also need to contact Grace to get an update on getting the posters across all three campuses.

Gender/Sex questionnaire inclusion policy

I submitted an idea to the SU website, I currently have 4 votes up. I am hopefully looking to get this passed and put as a policy.

The idea of the policy: Have all university questionnaires, have a wider option for gender/sex (as appropriate) other than male, female and "prefer not to say". This would mean that all students feel represented. Often, questionnaires have the options as stated above. This means that students who are happy to state their gender/sex which is other than that stated, are forced to either abstain from taking part in the questionnaire, in which their opinion would not be counted, or to state "prefer not to say" which does not accurately represent them.

Other Events

LGBT+ History month

Unfortunately this has passed and no plans went ahead. However, this still gives me the chance to raise LGBT+ awareness across campus regardless of whether it is LGBT+ history month or not.

GIAG to Pride/ARU Pride festival

London pride takes part in June and Chelmsford pride takes part in July. This would be not practical to plan a GIAG for this time. However, I had an idea for a pride parade to take place at Anglia Ruskin at the end of next year. I will reintroduce this idea in the next academic year with the new experience officer(s).

An update on engagement with coach and mentor/mentee(s)
I have told Leigh about my policies and ideas that will be implemented this academic year.
Further support required from the Executive Committee/Students' Union
Grace to update on trans awareness posters in Cambridge and Peterborough.