



# WELFARE CAMPAIGNS REP (CHELMSFORD) REPORT

<b>For the attention of:</b>	Executive Committee	<b>Taking place on:</b>	04/05/16
<b>Name:</b>	Emma Houghton	<b>Action:</b>	To note

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

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

To ascertain the Universities status with regards to supporting carers whilst studying at university and explore the requirements to sign up for the Carer's Trust campaign 'Going Higher' (see below)

## Progress on priority campaign(s)

The university do collect information with regards to who are carers.  
There is quite a high proportion of students with caring responsibilities on campus.  
It is an area that is being developed and meetings have been attended about creating 'Family Friendly Campuses'.  
For more progress, this is an area that is being considered by the university  
At present carers are able to access the range of good student services already available for all students.

Since last report I have signed up for the 'Going Higher' Campaign with Carer's Trust

They will add Student Union at Anglia Ruskin University to their website so current and future students know that we are a Student Union working towards getting it right for young adult carers.

They suggest letting everyone know that we are supporting the young adult carers we represent by tweeting about it and to cut, copy and paste one of the below or make up our own:

- We are part of @CarersTrust's Going Higher campaign to support student #carers to reach their potential <http://bit.ly/1KRYxSS>
- Student and #carer? We now endorse @CarersTrust's Going Higher campaign so young adult carers reach their potential [<https://Tweet 2>]<http://bit.ly/1KRYxSS>

## Request for tweet by Student Union as I do not tweet myself and/or another method

I have communicated via email with Katie Potts (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Manager) who is the equivalent of the Head of Widening Participation at the university about support for student carers. All of the resources are here: [www.carers.org/goinghigherunion](http://www.carers.org/goinghigherunion)

If you have any questions at all about the Going Higher campaign please email Carers Trust at [campaigns@carers.org](mailto:campaigns@carers.org)

Agreed date/time to meet with Debbie Paradise to progress Welfare Campaign ideas that may benefit all students

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

Further support required from the Executive Committee/Students' Union