



SAVE OUR SPACE POLICY

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

1. To lobby the institution for new multipurpose recreational spaces on campus and to prioritise student-led activities.	IN PROGRESS
2. To lobby the university to actively seek spaces (on or off campus) for clubs/societies to undertake activities to fulfil their aims and objectives.	IN PROGRESS
3. To lobby the institution to guarantee that any space that becomes available will be discussed with the Students' Union as to what its purpose will be.	IN PROGRESS
4. To gather and use student feedback when making decisions on the use of new space.	IN PROGRESS

Updates:

1. In progress. There is recent news that there will be a Dance studio reinstated on the Cambridge campus from December 2017. LR/JS are due to have conversations with the Director of Student Services to decide who will facilitate/take ownership of the space.

UPDATE 31/01: The Students' Union and Active Anglia have confirmed the timetable split for the dance studio. We are not waiting for budget to be released so we can refurbish and modify the dance studio to suit all our needs. We are still unsure of an opening date.

UPDATE 28/02: Budget has been now confirmed for the dance studio and we are waiting for confirmation of a date to open.

UPDATE: The dance studio is built! We're in the process of creating a student bookable timetable with clubs and societies being given priority. We're looking to have the space functional in two weeks.

2. In progress

UPDATE 31/01: I am also still championing for the deal with the university (they will facilitate an appropriate off campus site for societies who used to use the dance studio) to continue for those societies where the dance studio still won't accommodate them – for example pole fitness until we get suitable poles.

UPDATE 28/02: This project has now been handed over to Aletta Norval (Deputy Vice Chancellor, Education) and I am awaiting a response.

UPDATE: Aletta has asked for written confirmation of this agreement and the SU is in the process of looking through our documents to find it.

3. This could be stronger. JS role as a Governor will allow these kinds of conversations to happen at early stages.

4. In progress. The student consultation for Peter Taylor House and Tindal is complete. This will inform the kind of furniture that is sought for the spaces.

UPDATE 28/02: The Optometry building has recently been removed. I am seeking student feedback into what should be placed in that space.

UPDATE: The Optometry building is now beautiful green space! However, this space will be used and housed by a marquee/the dome over welcome to support in the flux of student numbers as well as the loss of the court yard.

FVC/LEDIC are asked to **DISCUSS**