

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

**LAURA DOUDS - PRESIDENT**

My campaigns, policy and other work

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Rent	In progress
<p><i>Actions updated: 19-10-18</i></p> <p>The survey is 90% done, and due to go live in early November. Comms plans have been submitted and designs are coming through for shareable images, website banners etc.</p> <p>Met with residential team - they're broadly on board with a lot of what we're doing although they seem a little pessimistic!</p> <p>Exec - how are you able or willing to support us with this campaign so that we get a representative sample?</p>	
History months	In progress
<p><i>Actions updated: 19-10-2018</i></p> <p>Black history month is underway - the last event is the panel on the 29th called 'Cultural Appropriation: What Is It and Does It Exist?'. Two students from Cambridge are attending to be on the panel, one student from ARU (so far!) and an academic from ARU.</p> <p>Disability History Month working group had the first meeting on 19/10/2018. The broad theme is music, and we have several ideas for guest speakers etc but dates are to be finalised when we know availability.</p> <p>Please let me know if you'd like to be involved with disability history month or LGBT history month.</p> <p>Please let me know what you can do to help promote these events.</p>	
Christmas Companionship	Not started

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On hold until further research is gathered, other sources of budget have been identified, and have checked that there is a real demand for this. Have meetings in the diary with the chaplaincy and international office to see if there's demand/what they could help with.

### **Other relevant updates**

*Actions updated: 19-10-2018*

I took a few days holiday and it was GREAT I feel SO much more refreshed.

I met with our NUS contact, Ellis, and we spoke at length about the services NUS can provide us - some of which I wasn't aware of.

The NUS Zones conference is on the 24th/25th October and I'm running for a position on the Union Development Zone Committee. We'll find out the results a day or two after exec (I think!) so I'm keeping my fingers crossed.

The Officers had an away day to reconnect as a team and 're-learn' some of the skills we had originally learned during induction. It was a really useful day and I think the team is working a lot better and we're really rejuvenated after it.

I spoke at a CULC event on the 18th about access to education.

I met with Eva, NUS VP Welfare, at an event about marketisation of Higher Education that was held at Kings College by CUSU. It was really useful and I now have a whole network of people who are anti-marketisation - this will really help out anti-TEF policies.