

USWSU Annual General	DATE: 26/01/2023	
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Meeting Agenda	Eclipse, USWSU Building, Treforest	
MEETING CALLED BY:	SU President	
SECRETARIAT SUPPORT	Membershin Services Director	

Officers in Attendance:	Jamal Abdilahi (JA) Acting SU President
	Kyle Eldridge (KE) SU Education VP
	Cheryl Chingosho (CC) Chair of Student Council
	Liks Robert (LR) Student Voice Representatives (FLSE)
	Athena Paschou (AP) International Student Officer
Members Present:	159

Item No.	Item
А	Opening Remarks JA opened the AGM before handing over to CC as the Chair of Student Council and welcomed
	everyone in attendance. CC explained how AGM works and how to vote.
В	Apologies
	Apologies were noted
С	Minutes of the Previous General Meeting
	Minutes were presented to attendees. Attendees voted to abstain from approving the
	minutes.
D	Standing Items
	Sustainability
	Health and Safety

Agenda

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1	Trustee Report including Audited Accounts 2022/2023
	There were no questions to the accounts received. Attendees voted to approve the
2	Approval of Affiliations 2022/2023 Affiliations to the Union were approved by attendees.



3	Constitutional Amendments
	No Constitutional Amendments were submitted to the AGM.

4 Union Policy Proposals submitted to AGM

• Formalise Course Rep Engagement

LR presented the policy proposal to attendees noting that they feel it is necessary due to the lack of apologies submitted to missed meetings. Attendees noted that there was improvement needed in the level of communication and the time between communication and meetings taking place. An amendment was proposed that communication must be sent our seven days prior to the event raking place. The amendment was voted on and approved by attendees. Attendees then voted on the proposal and approved its passing.

Proposal: Formalise Course Rep Engagement was passed by AGM

5 Call to Action Proposals submitted to AGM

International Housing

AP presented the proposal to call for the SU to work on International Housing as a priority issue, ensuring that International students are accurately informed. Contribution from the floor noted that the period of temporary accommodation was not long enough. KE called for applause for the proposal before proposing the amendment that USWSU lobby the Welsh Government as well as the University. A further amendment was that USWSU lobby for seven-day emergency accommodation. Both amendments were voted on and approved. The motion was then voted on and passed by Attendees.

Proposal: International Housing was passed by AGM

Home Rugby Pitch

JA proposed the call to action for the Students' Union to lobby the University to develop a home Rugby pitch on University grounds to increase participation and retention in Teams sports. Amendments were received to have designated areas for spectators and analysts. A questions was asked in regard to how many matches are played a year on the basis of the rent paid to use the grounds at Sardis Road. Another question raised was where the pitch would be situated on the Sports Park. The response to this was that it would be dependent on future feasibility studies. Both amendments have been passed. The proposal was then voted on by AGM and subsequently passed.

Proposal: Home Rugby Pitch was passed by AGM

• Rat Extermination

Chairing of AGM has temporarily been handed over to JA to allow CC to present their proposal.

CC's proposal notes that there are rats resisting in close proximity to accommodation and social spaces which raise threats to an individual's health. CC clarified that the proposal was to bring awareness to the University regarding student concerns over the presence of rats on campus. A number of concerns were raised over the ethics around extermination but was responded to by CC that it is about lobbying concerns to the University. A question asked if this could be extended to the wider Treforest Community. CC pointed out that it is the responsibility of property owners and as an SU we can directly lobby landlords. A point of order was raised that the proposal reads as lobbying the University and relevant local



	authorities as USWSU cannot impose policy on the University. The amendment passed. Attendees then voted to pass the proposal.
	Proposal: Rat Extermination was passed by AGM
6	Open Questions to Officer Trustees
	No Questions to Officer Trustees.
7	Business from the Board to the Student Body
	No Business to the Board.
8	Any Other Appropriate Business
	JA reassured attendees that the Students' Union will work on the proposals approved at
	AGM.
	Meeting ended at 20:09pm