

### Council Attendance

Role	Name	Initials	Attendance
Officer Trustee - Union President	Camille Boutrolle	CB	Present
Officer Trustee - Deputy President (Education)	Yi Yang	YY	Present
Officer Trustee - Deputy President (Welfare)	Andreea Cojocsa	AC	Present
Officer Trustee - Deputy President (Clubs & Societies)	Christian Cooper	CC	Present
Officer Trustee - Deputy President (Finance & Services)	Stephanie Yeung	SY	Present
Council Chair	Anthea MacIntosh-LaRocque	AML	Present
Constituent Union President - ICSMSU	Haider Nazerali	HN	Present
Constituent Union President - CGCU	Daniel Zhuo	DZ	Present
Constituent Union President - RCSU	Trinity Stenhouse	TS	Present
Constituent Union President – RSMU	Reha Chandresh	RC	Present
Constituent Union President - Silwood	Jack Arthur	JA	Present
Management Group Chair - Arts	Celine Driessen	CD	Present
Management Group Chair - Community	N/A	N/A	N/A
Management Group Chair - Knowledge	Dhishan Mane	DM	Present
Management Group Chair - Recreation	Ethan Beech	EB	Present
Management Group Chair - Sports	Vaibhav Chetty	VC	Present
LCO - Black & Minority Ethnic Officer	Nathalie Podder	NP	Absent
LCO - LGBT+ Officer	Avi Kaura	AK	Present
LCO - Disabilities	Emmanuel Lawal	EL	Present
LCO - Mental Health	Aglaia Freccero	AF	Present
LCO - Gender Equality Officer	Wendy Song	WS	Present
LCO - Ethics & Environmental Officer	Yuxi Liang	YL	Present
LCO - Interfaith Officer	Ariba Azam	AA	Present
LCO - International Officer	Yuanze Xia	YX	Apologies
LCO - Working Class Officer	Jordan Elliott	JE	Present
Welfare Officer of CU - CGCU	Bowen Shi	BS	Absent
Welfare Officer of CU - RCSU	Julia Purrinos De Oliveira	JPO	Present
Welfare Officer of CU - ICSMSU	Lilia Evans	LE	Absent

Welfare Officer of CU - RSM	Jay Haley	JH	Present
Academic Officer of CU - CGCU	Linmo Lin	LL	Present
Academic Officer of CU - RCSU	Chloe Lee	CL	Present
Academic Officer of CU - ICSMSU	Yasmin Baker	YB	Apologies
Academic Officer of CU - RSM	Olivia Cai	OC	Present
Postgraduate Research Academic & Welfare Officer (Engineering)	Xiang Yan	XY	Present
Postgraduate Research Academic & Welfare Officer (Medicine)	Nan Fletcher-Lloyd	NFL	Apologies
Postgraduate Research Academic & Welfare Officer (Science)	Michaela Flegrova	MF	Present
Postgraduate Taught Academic & Welfare Officer (Business)	Théophile Leseq	TL	Absent
Postgraduate Taught Academic & Welfare Officer (Engineering)	Swapnil Kumar	SK	Absent
The PGT Representation Chair	Naraana Enkhijin	NE	Apologies
The PGR Representation Chair	Jordon Milward	JM	Apologies
Council Representative (UG Science)	Edward Bird	EB	Present
Council Representative (UG Science)	Qingyu Liu	QL	Present
Council Representative (UG Engineering)	Ling Liu	LL	Present
Council Representative (UG Engineering)	Aditya Prabakara	AP	Absent
Council Representative (UG Engineering)	Kang Yang	KY	Present
Council Representative (UG Medicine)	Yuki Agarwala	YA	Present
Council Representative (UG Medicine)	Kavyesh Vivek	KV	Present
Council Representative (PG Science)	Alex Auyang	AA	Present
Council Representative (PG Engineering)	Guoxuan CUI	GC	Present
Council Representative (PG Engineering)	Jing Xu	JX	Present
Council Representative (PG Business)	Ka-Chun Liu	KCL	Present

In attendance [Students/Staff]

Ioana Balabasciuc (IB) – Imperial Climate Action Divestment Campaign Lead [Student]  
 Yousuf Yaqub (YY) – Co-author of Item 11, Medical student [Student]  
 Ketevani Asatiani-Kalabdaze (KAK) – Co-author of Item 11, Medical student [Student]  
 Jamie John (JJ) – Felix Editor-In-Chief [Student]  
 Aryan Daga (AD) – Computing student [Student]  
 Esha Kamran (EK) – Medical student [Student]  
 Iqra Shiekh (IS) – Medical student [Student]

Hana Machnouk (HM) – Medical student [Student]  
Surya Sridharan (SS) – Medical student [Student]  
Cat Turhan (CT) – ICU Director of Membership Services [Union Staff]  
Annette Ma (AM) – ICU Governance and Representation Assistant [Union Staff]

## 1. Welcome

AML welcomed everyone to the first Union Council meeting of the year.

## 2. Apologies

*Noted as above.*

## 3. Proxy

*None noted.*

## 4. Quoracy

*Confirmed.*

## 5. Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the Ordinary Union Council Meeting held on 27 June 2023

AML asked whether there are any issues surrounding the minutes of the last Union Council meeting.

*Approved by consensus as an accurate record of proceedings.*

## 6. Standing Orders

- i. MF enquired whether there are any big changes to the standing orders. AML replied that there were some changes. MF asked whether AML could outline the changes that have been made, to which AML responded changes were made mostly around the layout and structure of the standing orders. AML also noted some additions such as more clarity on standing order 5 regarding paper acceptance and what can be accepted or rejected, and additions on the reports that will come to council.
- ii. MF suggested that document updates such as this could make use of the 'track changes' function on Microsoft Word, so it is easier for Council members to note the changes made. MF also brought up whether standing orders could be provisionally accepted and brought back to Council next time to be discussed for further potential changes. AML agreed with the suggestion.
- iii. HA asked for clarification whether the paper deadline is on Monday or Tuesday, and MF responded it should be at 5pm on Monday.

AML asked Council members to vote to accept changes standing orders via Mentimeter.

*The proposed Standing Orders were accepted by a majority voting in favour.*

*Secretary's postscript: The final voting outcome was 28 in favour, 0 against, 6 recorded abstentions.*

## 7. Call for AOB

AML asked Council members to raise AOBs (any other business) to be discussed at the end of the meeting.

## 8. Addition of Committee Position (Trans+ Officer) to LGBTQ+ Network

AK presented the paper as its author.

AK noted they wanted to add a Trans+ Officer to the LGBTQ+ network committee to highlight the experiences of trans people at Imperial, as they may be quite different to the experiences of other LGBTQ+ students. AK highlighted the paper describes the definition of a trans person. AK mentioned in order to fulfil the Union goal of achieving the best experience for all students, they feel that this action is important for marginalised trans+ students.

- i. JE expressed that there should be a review of all different Liberation and Community Networks' positions, and that the current positions (welfare, community engagement and campaigns) cannot cover all representation of the network. He noted there is also a lot of work associated with different networks, so having more than three positions could be helpful. AML noted there will be a democracy review to be done this year and will note JE's point when it is done.
- ii. AC assured she will work together with the community officers across all networks to review the relevance of roles. AML asked whether the paper author would accept the amendment. AK accepted the correction.

**Secretary's postscript:** *Fuller clarification of the amendment below:*

*The DPW will be working closely with the LCN officers to review the roles available within their committees and consider creating some more specific ones for each network to make sure they're relevant to students' needs.*

- iii. JE asked for clarification when the trans+ officer will be elected, and AML answered it will be in the upcoming elections period.

AML asked Council members to vote on Resolve 08(1) including the amendment.

*The motion was carried by a majority voting in favour.*

**Secretary's postscript:** *The final voting outcome was 33 in favour, 0 against, 1 recorded abstention.*

## 9. Disability History Month Union Engagement

EL presented the paper as its author.

EL noted that various people in departmental roles supported this paper, which aims to raise awareness of disability history month. EL urged the Union to engage with societies to hold events during the month.

- i. TS asked whether Council members are allowed to second papers during the Council meeting to show support. AML responded no, to which TS showed her support verbally.
- ii. JE noted with regards to disability history month, he is involved with a group that is setting up events for neurodiversity week, and noted he is keen to get involved with disability history month and have a chat afterwards.

AML asked Council members to vote on Resolve 1 – To support/not support the advertisement of disability history month events on Union platforms. AML also noted preliminary results on the LGBTQ+ network trans+ officer shows that the paper has passed.

- iii. CC raised a request to have paper authors clearly express their personal view on their aims and whether they would like the papers to pass. AML noted she does not see this as a necessary requirement but offered to discuss further after the Council meeting.

AML asked Council members to vote on Resolve 09(1) and (2).

*Resolves 09(1,2) were carried by a majority voting in favour.*

**Secretary's postscript:** *The final voting outcome was:*

**Resolve 09(1):** *32 for, 1 against, 1 recorded abstention; and*

**Resolve 09(2):** *30 encourage, 2 not encourage, 2 recorded abstentions.*

## 10. Union Stance on Divestment

IB presented the paper as its author.

IB noted due to the delayed rate of stopping fossil fuel companies especially during the climate emergency, a push is needed to make more action. IB noted one easy way is to ask Imperial College to stop investing in fossil fuel companies. IB noted if they make a statement condemning companies on their lack of progress towards a green solution, it will be influential in pushing fossil fuel companies in the right direction. IB therefore asked for Union support on the paper to stop the investment.

- i. EL enquired about the expectations on what will happen if the paper is passed. IB said she expects to work with the College to lobby Council to help push through to divestment. IB noted they have already received support from the Board of Trustees

- to support this, but this would mostly help further discussions reach senior management.
- ii. JE expressed uncertainty regarding the wording of '*demand [the university]*' in Resolve 1, noting he is unsure whether Union has the power to demand the university for action. JE suggested an amendment to change '*demand*' to '*lobby*', which is within the power of the Union. AML noted the amendment will be included in the vote on the Resolve.
  - iii. YY asked whether the passing of Resolve 1 would affect postgraduate scholarships or any PhD students. IB responded the paper focuses on investment but not funding, noting that £50 million is directly invested in company shares, and is independent from postgraduate funding.

AML asked Council members to vote on Resolves 10(1-5).

*Resolves 10(1-5) were carried by a majority voting in favour.*

**Secretary's postscript:** *The final voting outcome was:*

**Resolve 10(1):** *25 for, 3 against, 6 recorded abstentions;*

**Resolve 10(2):** *28 for, 2 against, 4 recorded abstentions;*

**Resolve 10(3):** *29 for, 1 against, 4 recorded abstentions;*

**Resolve 10(4):** *17 for, 1 against, 10 recorded abstentions; and*

**Resolve 10(5):** *25 for, 3 against, 6 recorded abstentions.*

## **11. Union Stance on the Situation in Gaza**

HN presented the paper as one of its co-authors.

HN noted that as Council members are aware, Hamas carried out attacks on civilians, and the Israeli government acted in retaliation in the following month, including attacks on hospitals and other buildings, in addition to forcing evacuation whilst attacking all areas of the city. HN states the death toll is now past 10,000 at the time of the Council meeting.

HN noted the paper outlines the definition of war crimes and the how the actions of Israel therefore constitute breaking of humanitarian law in the situation. HN requested the Union to take a stance on the Israel and Gaza situation, noting that the Union and Imperial College previously condemned the invasion of Ukraine by Russia which bears many similarities to the present situation. HN noted Imperial College Union (ICU) to has already put out a statement to condemn Hamas. HN noted that the Imperial President previously put out a statement commenting on the terrorist attacks on Israel, while the Union said they condemn all acts of violence against Palestinians, however they both explicitly named Hamas in their condemnation – but neither named Israel as perpetrators of violence. HN described the strong support for Palestinians amongst the student body; however, he is noticing multiple

students, including within committees of Constituent Unions showing discontent towards the lack of specific support for Palestinians from ICU and the CUs.

HN noted as written in the paper, they wish for ICU to take a clear official public stance supporting the civilians in Gaza, and for the Union to lobby the College to do the same, and lastly to ensure that the CUs can follow up on the stance, and take specific action, like promoting legal pro-Palestinian protests.

- i. CB clarified that ICU is a charity organisation and needs to follow the UK charity laws. CB noted they had outlined some amendments to the paper, which were sent too late to the Council Chair but is happy to run through them verbally (see below).
- ii. CB requested regarding Union notes 16 about the open letter, to redact the specific mention of Union. HN requested to discuss with the co-authors, which AML permitted.
- iii. HN raised to replace '*Union*' with the word '*College*', to which both CB and HN accepted the amendment. AML noted the amendment will be included in the vote.
- iv. CB requested regarding Union Believes 3, to replace the term '*war crimes*' with '*action causing the death of over 9000 civilians*' due to potential legal consequences for ICU, as she notes it is not explicit that they have committed war crimes. HN feels that the definition of '*war crimes*' is clearly explained in the paper, including a fuller legal definition and other forms of definitions, as well as an outline of all instances that falls under the definition of a war crime. HN further noted the former director of the New York office of the UN high commissioner for human rights described the assault on Palestinians as a genocide, which is within the definition of war crimes, and therefore HN feels it is the appropriate wording. CB noted the paper is well worded, but the term '*war crimes*' is not yet used within the higher governing body of student unions and expressed there could be negative consequences to this. AK added that the UN website reports an extensive definition of a war crime. HN noted in Union Note 13, he mentioned indirect attacks on the civilian population, followed by instances that fit the definition of a war crime. CB restated that the paper eloquently outlines what fits the war crime, but her request to change the language is based on the legal implications that this could present. YY asked whether CB could outline the legal implications she is referring to, to which CB responded no student union, university, or UK governing body has defined it as a war crime, despite the fact that it very much fits the definition. YY asked why this matters what other bodies are saying. CB responded it is a particularly politically nuanced term. AD noted the Israeli government would argue that no current official has defined them as war crimes because the actions of the government are coated by articles about self-defence, which is why they didn't use the term. AD noted that the coining of the term '*war crimes*' on the previous actions of Russia was taken to court, and therefore is not legally a war crime yet. JA noted ICU may have to prove as a charity organisation that the actions that occurred in Gaza are war crimes, and they may not be able to prove and give evidence if the investigation comes to Imperial College. HN noted they are happy to accept the amendment but will include the updated death count in the alternative phrasing suggested by CB.
- v. CB raised an additional Union Believes: '*acknowledge the actions of Hamas given that the Union represents all students.*' HN accepted the suggestion but would like to propose a new phrasing.

- vi. AK proposed a suggestion on CB's proposed alternative phrasing on 'war crimes' to replace 'deaths from' with 'killings caused by'. HN added that he would accept the amendment if it could replace 'deaths from' with 'killings and targeting of civilians' to which CB agreed.

**Secretary's postscript:** For fuller clarification of the amendment on Union Believes 3:

3. *The absence of a statement from Constituent Unions, the Imperial College Union, and the College clearly condemning ~~the war crimes being committed by~~ killings and targeting of civilians by the Israeli Government in Gaza...*

- vii. HN requested regarding the second amendment, instead of adding it to Union Believes 1, to rephrase it to add in addition to those involved of Hamas.
- viii. HE suggested 'Union condemned the violent actions of the Israeli government in addition to those actions... of the civilians'.
- ix. JE expressed confusion regarding Union Resolve 3 on why the Union President needs to write a letter rather than it being stated in the paper itself. HN noted the stance of ICU is those of constituent unions, as mentioned in the paper as well. HN described one motivation of the paper is that some Constituent Union (CU) members feel frustrated of not being able to take a stance, and the letter will provide a symbolic reassurance that the President is acting on the situation and will empower ICU to take further actions. HN noted the letter is more for students that do not understand the rules and laws of Constituent Unions.
- x. CC suggested to remove Resolve 3 entirely, as the Constituent Union policy is entirely made by ICU, and CUs are not allowed to make their own policy and should not make any that contravenes with those made by the Council. HN noted his understanding is that Resolve 3 is elaborated upon by CU members asking why they cannot do so. HN expressed that the President's letter will allow CU members to follow the stance of ICU and take actions in accordance with Byelaws. CC appreciated the point of making a clear stance by ICU, however, is concerned by the wording and suggested that the wording implies that Constituent Unions would be allowed to make policy which contravenes that of Council. CC noted a statement was made a month ago by the Officer Trustees (OTs), and they are happy to make a statement again and that Council approval will make the stance the official stance of ICU, as opposed to the position taken just by Officer Trustees. CC noted approval of this paper will turn this to the official belief of ICU. HN stated he is happy to make amendments, and he expressed the purpose of the paper is not to force or mandate CUs to take any action. AML added as a point of information that Union Council can mandate any elected officer to do something.
- xi. TS pointed out that she has been approached by students and staff that RCSU has not issued any official stance. She expressed preference that CU members be given permission to speak about their stances on newsletters and share support networks if this is within the rules of Byelaws, however if ICU takes an official stance to support students and share support networks, it would be useful.

VC questioned whether the purpose of CUs is to push pressure even though they are not official measures. CC noted that the Byelaws outline that CUs aims and objectives are '*promoting the educational interests and welfare of students, providing social, cultural and recreational activities and forums, and maintaining relationship with the alumni from their*



*respective Constituent Union*<sup>1</sup>. CC reiterated that CUs are not there to make policies, and Bye-Law D<sup>2</sup> renders the Resolve redundant and will ultimately take away the main point of the paper. AML added that everything passed at UC is subject to approval by the Board of Trustees. HN expressed the letter has less to do with the ICU stance but more to do with reassurance to students and does not think it is redundant in the belief that many students feel that they are not being listened to or well represented, along with staff criticism, resulting to students feeling disenfranchised, including the CU committees. HN noted the point of the letter is less on whether it is a mandate by Bye-Laws, but more in the Union President expressing support to students as a gesture. HN added they are not asking for an apology or anything along the lines of, but purely a statement of support showing that the paper has passed, and it would be more meaningful coming from the President. SS stated that they disagree regarding the legality and noted in the context of Council it may be obviously redundant, but moving forward, it is more important about what can be done to reassure students.

- xii. TS suggested keeping Resolves 3 but specify that the stance of CUs would unanimously align with ICU and the OTs, to prevent further enquiries on stances. AK agreed with TS and suggested to keep the Bye-Laws in the notes for those that are wondering. CC suggested, as a follow up, that Resolve 3 be removed and introduce a new note to explicitly state it and is happy for authors to decide on the wording. CC also noted that Resolve 3 parts 2 and 3 go entirely against Bye-Law L<sup>1</sup> and therefore cannot be an official stance. HN noted him and the co-authors are happy to remove parts 2 and 3 of Resolve 3 but keep part 1 amend to note that the letter is for reassurance to students. CC suggested the wording '*For the Union President to write a letter to Constituent Unions (CUs) reassuring them they are allowed to reiterate the Union's stances as outlined in Resolves 1.*' HN accepted the amendment.

**Secretary's postscript:** *For fuller clarification of amendments to Union Resolves 3:*

3. *For the Union President to write a letter to Constituent Unions (CUs) reassuring them they are allowed to reiterate the Union's stances as outlined in Resolves 1. ~~assuring them they are allowed to:~~*

- ~~i) Take an official public stance condemning the war crimes committed by the Israeli government in Gaza.~~
- ~~ii) At their own discretion, promote factual educational content about the situation and history of the situation in Gaza.~~
- ~~iii) At their own discretion, promote legal pro-Palestinian protests.~~

- xiii. HN asked for clarification whether universities are allowed to support legal protests. AML noted to follow up on this. HN added this is not within the scope of the paper whether they are allowed to promote the UK protests on the Gaza situation.

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<sup>1</sup> [Bye-Law L](#) point 9.1 'Promoting the educational interests and welfare of students during their course of study'; 9.2 'Providing social, cultural and recreational activities and forums for discussions and debate for the personal development of students', and 9.3, 'Maintaining relationship with the alumni from their respective Constituent Union'.

<sup>2</sup> [Bye-Law D](#) point 4 'Amendments to this Constitution and Bye-Laws are not classed as policy and serve until amended in accordance with the Constitution.'

- xiv. AA noted the suggestion and acceptance of multiple amendments. AA questioned the act of CUs taking a public stance but not including notes on the violence on Hamas in the same statement. HN noted there are already multiple released statements condemning the actions of Hamas, including in Imperial College President Hugh Brady's statements. HN stated the paper is aimed at filling the gap to acknowledge that there are two parties killing people and highlight the other party as the actions of the Israeli government were not mentioned at all. HN expressed adding it may take away the main objective of the paper. CC noted the Council has not passed any policies on this yet but mentioning the actions of Hamas in this statement would make it clear that this is ICU's full stance. CC suggested for ICU to take an official public stance condemning the killing and targeting of civilians as well as continue the condemnation of the actions of Hamas. AA added that it would appear unbalanced if only one side is mentioned, especially as the paper is being approved at Council. HN noted he is happy to add it in.
- xv. CB requested an additional amendment to Union Believes to reiterate the support by ICU for students, listed '*Imperial College Union supports all students and stands against all instances of antisemitism and Islamophobia*'. CB also requested an additional Resolve listed '*to continue to promote the ... of students and promote relevant support*'. HN accepted the amendment with an additional suggestion to include '*discrimination against Palestinian students*', to which CB agreed to. JA noted given that the precedent for this motion is partially based on the invasion of Ukraine by Russia, he suggested an addition to Resolve 6 for Union to explicitly state the condemnation of bullying in their stance. CC additionally suggested to include '*discrimination against Muslim and Jewish students*', which HN accepted.

**Secretary's postscript:** For fuller clarification of additional Union Believes 4:

4. That Imperial College Union supports all students, and stands against all incidences of Anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, and racism.

Addition of Union Resolves 4 and 5:

4. For the Union to continue to promote and signpost students affected by the conflict to the relevant support.

5. For the Union to support the university in its stance condemning the harassment and bullying of Israeli, Jewish, Muslim and Palestinian students.

- xvi. AA noted 1.5 years ago regarding the paper on the Russia-Ukraine situation, the Union President did not have to release a statement. AA expressed he is wholeheartedly against the current situation in Gaza, but given President Hugh Brady's comments, they would be backtracking their stand based on the students' discontentment on it. AA noted the Council should be cautious with taking political stance and is uncertain whether this will upset more students compared to doing nothing. AA prompted the Council to keep in mind that the aims and objectives as a student union is to support students, and there will always be students affected by political conflicts that are not spoken about at the Council. AA noted the voting on the paper doesn't mean members are choosing a side regarding the political situation, and he doesn't think ICU should necessarily be taking on this position as a student union.

- xvii. JA agreed with the point raised by AA.
- xviii. [Student spectator] acknowledged the point raised about ICU being politically involved but noted when President Hugh Brady heavily expresses support towards one side of the Gaza situation during the Graduation ceremony, adding heavy insinuation of a one-sided support by institutional staff, then they feel it is important for ICU to make a clear stance. [Spectating student 2] supported the comment, noting that the College have made statements during Graduation ceremony, a day of celebration for students, and given that they are passing notions at UC on the situation, it is rather dehumanizing to specific student groups. HN agrees that the paper suggests a stance by ICU but noted there are rare exceptional occasions that it is better to give a suitable statement rather than not saying anything. HN noted ICU hasn't passed any motions on other political situations, however this case affects the welfare of students. While they do not want to set the precedent to discuss politics for every Council meeting, but even commenting and voting on a Union stance highlights the importance of their actions here in condemning other actions. AA replied that the response he has in mind towards a one-sided statement would be to address the individual statement itself, whereas the Council must spend meeting time to discuss and pass the paper.
- xix. [Student spectator] noted the paper doesn't ask for the condemnation of Israel but there is currently no support towards Palestinians by any political group in the UK or in Europe, where parties would argue the attacks by the Israeli government is targeting Hamas and not civilians. AML referred to the ICU Constitution<sup>3</sup> as a point of information that the Union is independent of any political party or religious group.
- xx. HN clarified that if something is affecting many students, it is not necessarily bad to set the precedent for the Council to give reassurance to students and push back actions that would make students feel unwelcome in the community.

AML asked Council members to vote on the Union Resolves of the paper.

*Resolves 11(1-5) were carried by a majority voting in favour.*

**Secretary's postscript:** *The final voting outcome was:*

**Resolve 11(1):** 15 for, 6 against, 10 recorded abstentions;

**Resolve 11(2):** 16 for, 5 against, 9 recorded abstentions;

**Resolve 11(3):** 16 for, 7 against, 7 recorded abstentions;

**Resolve 11(4):** 17 for, 4 against, 8 recorded abstentions; and

**Resolve 11(5):** 22 for, 3 against, 6 recorded abstentions.

## 12. Officer Trustees Objectives

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<sup>3</sup> [Constitution Articles of Association](#), Section A point 3.2 'The Union will seek at all times to pursue its aims and objectives independent of any political party or religious group.'

CB presented the report as its co-author.

CB summarised to note that the OTs' joint objective is sustainability, and each officer has a specific goal on the overarching objective, highlighted in bold in the objective list.

- i. AA asked regarding improving amenities across different campuses, what amenities are they looking to improve in the Silwood campus except for microwaves and kettles. CB mentioned the intention to implement more electric plugs around the campus, and noted they are planning to run a wider student consultation on this.

*The paper was noted by Council.*

### **13. Clubs, Societies & Projects Board (CSPB) – Update to Council**

CC presented the report as its author.

CC noted the 1-page report summarises the key achievements of the last meeting, ongoing projects, and the key points to discuss for the next meeting as a brief overview for the Council. CC noted the next meeting is in 1.5 weeks, and any questions can be directed to himself or the CSPB.

*The paper was noted by Council.*

### **14. AOB**

#### Information needed from all Council members

AML reminded all Council members to send dietary requirements and email address preferences via email to her and noted to those that have not yet attended training that she would reach out to them to arrange an additional training date. AML noted training is mandatory for all members.

AML announced a Council social afterwards at the Union bar, with a limited number of drinks tokens for members.

#### AOB by YY

YY noted she will be sending an email to all Council members for her AOB.

#### End of Union Council

AML thanked everyone for attending the first Union Council of the academic year.