RCC Dormancy & Closure Review June 2013

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Background

- To ensure the efficient use of Imperial College Union resources clubs and societies should remain active in fulfilling their aims and objectives with a minimum of 20 members. Union policy requires that annually those falling short of this be considered for **dormancy**.
- Dormancy: this has no negative implications except that after being dormant for a specified period of time (one, two or three terms) a club may be closed.
- In exceptional circumstances (such as a lack of handover from the previous committee), may be eligible for exemption from dormancy or closure. Eligible clubs will be considered on their own circumstances and a decision reach by vote at a general meeting of the RCC.

Proposal

Criteria applied:

- Dormant: either less than 20 members or no future committee (yet or planned)
- Closure: already dormant and continue to meet these criteria; or both of the dormancy criteria
- Clubs scheduled for closure have been contacted (all members) to invite a committee and defence.

Numbers in brackets: (Current Members, Grant for 2013-2014, Committee Elected?)

1. To note previous closure:

Radio Controlled Model - closed December 2011

2. To note alleviated dormancy:

Parkour, Freerunning & Gymnastics (20, Yes) Table Football (20, Yes) Astro (20, Yes) Croquet (20, Yes)

3. To make dormant for one term (closure possible from Dec '13):

Gaming (57, £69, No) Pole Dancing (46, £818.50, No) Paintball (83, £195, No) Kitesurfing (16, £1135, Yes)

4. To close:

(dormant as of Dec '12): VegSoc (14, £0, Yes) (this closure will be averted if the clubs merge) Cooking (13, £0, No) (this closure will be averted if the clubs merge)

Not yet dormant: Mobile Tech (18, £0, No) Skateboarding and BMX [Skate] (19, £X, No)