

## Student Voice 3 – 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2022

### Matters Arising

Date Raised	Action	Who	Update
26/03/2018	Referendum on exams before Christmas during the academic year 2018/19.	Student President	
11/02/2019	Campaign for a phasing out of single use coffee cups	VP SHLS & E&E	
25/11/19	Plastic free campus – get rid of all single use plastics and styrofoam on campus (with exception of plastic straws available on request only)	VP SHLS & E&E Officer	
25/11/19	Replacement/upgrade of equipment in ARC inclusive of weightlifting equipment	VP SHLS & Student President	
25/11/19	Increase wildflowers on campus	VP SHLS & E&E Officer	
25/11/19	Reflection spaces (for prayer, quiet space) to be in each building on campus	VP GSBS	Ongoing – discussed with the COO on how this can be done.
25/11/19	More food recycling bins on campus including in satellite catering venues (learning café, recharge café, re:Union bar)	VP SHLS & E&E Officer	
10/02/20	Turn left over cafeteria food into take home meals for students in need	VP SCEBE	
10/02/20	Improved sanitation on campus – change metal door handles to brass	Student President	Conversations launched with the University. Estates will be getting back with an update.
07/12/20	Wider variety of GCU branded merchandise including personalisation options	VP SHLS	
07/12/20	Embed Climate Change training into the curriculum	VP SHLS & E&E Officer	
07/12/20	University should work in partnership with more of the car parks in the city centre and providing deals for students	Student President	The Head of Campus has agreed to look for more partnerships where possible with better priced deals.
07/12/20	Request university to track student suicides and known attempted suicides	VP SCEBE	
08/02/21	Campaign to reduce the cost of food on-campus or to raise the quality of food provided at the current price	VP SCEBE	

08/02/21	Awareness campaign for what first aid and medication is available to students.	VP SHLS	
08/02/21	A daily mile walk map	VP SCEBE	
22/03/21	Set up an Official Facebook Group for students to buy and sell course books	VP GSBS	Ongoing
22/03/21	Lobby the university to provide some lockers on the ground floor of the library	VP SCEBE	
25/10/21	Ensure core texts are available in the GCU Library	VP SCEBE	
25/10/21	Clearer guidance for self-employed individuals on evidence needed for discretionary and childcare applications	VP SHLS	
25/10/21	Accommodation page review and implementation of a digital application process	VP GSBS	Ongoing
25/10/21	GCU to buy back textbooks and resell them to students	VP SCEBE	

06/12/21	Submit a block grant request to the university based on a budget consultation with the student body and negotiate a budget proposal based on the consultation	Student President	<p>The Full Time Officers held a budget meeting with the Chief Operating Officer on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022. The University seemed open to additional funding however the University said it may be difficult to incorporate it through the Block Grant due to the forecasted financial shortfalls in the coming years.</p> <p>The Full Time Officers made proposals for an additional Student Adviser for the Advice Centre, capital grant funding for improvements within the Re:Union Bar &amp; Grill and to maintain the replacement BaxterStorey sponsorship. In addition, proposals were made for supplementary funding for 2021/22 to support increased facility costs for sport due to COVID-19 and additional resources to support our communications strategy was also highlighted. However, it is also important to mention that these have not been agreed to yet by the University.</p> <p>A precedent has been set for meeting the University to put forward a budget proposal. This is now planned to be an annual discussion with the University to negotiate an increased Block Grant and additional funding. The outcome from the budget is communicated annually in June.</p> <p>The Students' Association will discuss with Student Voice to better understand this amendment, how it would work in practice and how it can be achieved within our current Constitution, Schedules, By-Laws.</p>
06/12/21	To consider at Executive Committee how the amended motion on a Block Grant increase will work in practice and to feed this back to Student Voice	Full Time Officers	<p>It is planned to be an annual discussion with the University to negotiate an increased Block Grant and additional funding.</p> <p>The Students' Association will meet with Student Voice to better understand this amendment, how it would work in practice and how it can be achieved within our current Constitution, Schedules, By-Laws. The Executive Committee will then be able to bring it back to Student Voice.</p>
06/12/21	Work with Student Disability to run a media campaign about the needs of disabled students	Student President	

06/12/21	Work with Estates to only allow cars into the disabled parking areas that show their blue badge at the barrier	Student President	Worked with the DSO resulting in the Head of Campus and Head of Security agreeing to create a new centralised parking system using 'purple permits' to stop inappropriate use of the Disabled Parking spaces.
06/12/21	Work with IT to improve the GCU website	VP GSBS	Ongoing
06/12/21	All students within SHS to be offered flu vaccines regardless of placement	VP SHLS	
06/12/21	Extension of library hours from 7am to 12am and 24hrs during exam periods	VP SCEBE	
06/12/21	Improvement of green spaces on campus including better access to spaces, better equipment and better promotion	VP SHLS & E&E Officer	
06/12/21	GCU to have an optional online module on understanding sexual consent and respect for women	VP SCEBE	