

<b>Committee Title</b>	Student Voice
<b>Date of Meeting</b>	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
<b>Item Number and Title/Subject</b>	Yearly Reapproval of Affiliated Societies Repeal
<b>Paper Presenter</b>	Proposer: Societies Council Chairperson
<b>Brief Summary of Issues/Topic</b>	<p>Background: Currently, the process for societies is to submit a starter pack to Societies Council who review and vote on approval of the society. Those that have been approved by Societies Council then get sent to Student Voice for affiliation confirmation. This happens only at the beginning of the societies affiliation with the Students' Association (unless the case of deactivation by the society).</p> <p>Rationale: It was unclear to myself as incoming chair or my committee the logical reason for this proposal for any change (see below in blue). The operational implementation of the amendment to the Societies Policy Document has been paused pending the outcome of consultation with the Societies Council and this proposed amended Idea. If the motion, as passed last year, is implemented then:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) The Societies Council is redundant.</li> <li>(b) It would arguably be in breach of non-discriminative policies. This policy only seeks to regulate societies, not sport clubs or student media. This is an unreasonable and not legitimate policy aim.</li> </ul> <p>The previous proposal to this motion felt it allowed Student Voice to raise opinion or disapproval if priorities changed of societies. However well intentioned, the wording failed to grasp the running of societies. This is because if priorities are changed for societies then they already need ratified by Societies Council then Student Voice and finally Trustee Board.</p> <p>Motion: For all societies to be approved by Societies Council and Student Voice on an annual basis to be repealed.</p> <p>Implementation: To remove the blue text that was proposed at student voice 4 in academic year 2021/22.</p>

	<b>2.0 Active Societies</b>  Active Societies will be those that have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Been approved by the Societies Council through the Society Starter Process</li> <li>• <del>Approved by Societies Council and Student Voice on an annual basis</del></li> <li>• Three committee members of their choosing, but one specifically tasked with being in charge of finance, who all take part in mandatory volunteer training.</li> <li>• Held annual committee elections to elect three committee members by the end of Week 7 in Trimester 2.</li> <li>• Taken part in the reactivation process, outlined below.</li> </ul>					
Recommendation(s)	Information		Discussion		Approval	x
	<b><i>Any member can ask a question by raising their voting card or virtual hand and be recognised by the Chair to speak.</i></b>  Student Voice is asked <b>to repeal the original</b> motion.					
Who have you consulted when developing the paper?	Societies Coordinator Societies Council					
Staff/Student Protocol	Yes	X	No		N/A	
Will any decision approved directly affect the work of staff?	The original Idea approved by Student Voice was discussed at the Trustee Board on 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2022. It was highlighted that it was unclear on the consultation undertaken by the original Proposer with stakeholders on the development of this motion. For instance, it was not discussed with the Societies Council. There was no consultation under the Staff/Student Protocol and therefore the impact of operational implementation was not discussed.  The proposal to remove the original Idea has been discussed with the Chief Executive and relevant staff.					
Should the paper be submitted to any other committee following its consideration/approval at this meeting?  If yes, please state the committee and proposed date of submission.	Trustee Board					