

STANDING ORDERS GOVERNING **THE LGBT+ STUDENTS' CAMPAIGNS** **GROUP**

1. Definition

- 1.1 The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group is a standing committee as defined in Standing Order 1001 and will be subject to these regulations. The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group is responsible to the Campaigns Network and Vice President Welfare & Community, and is supported by the Campaign Support Co-ordinator and Campaigns Support Assistant.

2. Aims

- 2.1 The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee, with support from the Campaign Support Co-ordinator will:
 - 2.1.1 represent the views of LGBT+ members of University of Lincoln Students' Union (ULSU) to ULSU and the University based on student feedback;
 - 2.1.2 organise and deliver campaigns to increase awareness of LGBT+ issues within ULSU and the University;
 - 2.1.3 support the Vice President Welfare & Community in the delivery of campus wide campaigns
 - 2.1.4 promote links with other similar groups and organisations, within the local community, regional area and nationally;

3. LGBT+ Officer

- 3.1 The Chair of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee is a part-time student officer and shall be known as the "LGBT+ Officer", and shall be elected once per academic year, in accordance with

Bye-Law 7. The LGBT+ Officer shall have responsibility for the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee. The LGBT+ Officer represents LGBT+ students as a compulsory, voting attendee at All Student Members meetings and the Campaigns Network meetings, where they will report on the impact and progress of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group.

4. LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee

4.1 In addition to the LGBT+ Officer there shall be an LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee. The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee shall be active in the promotion of LGBT+ students' rights; in ULSU, nationally and globally in accordance with ULSU's charitable objects. The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee shall be responsible for the organisation, direction and performance of the group in fulfilling its strategy and delivering on campaigns. The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee shall be responsible for monitoring and updating its long term strategy.

4.2 The membership of the Committee shall be:

4.2.1 **LGBT+ Officer:** Who shall be the Chair of the Committee.

4.2.2 **Treasurer:** The Secretary shall assist the LGBT+ Students Officer in the administration and organisation of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee, and shall operate as the Deputy for the LGBT+ Officer. They shall be responsible for maintaining the membership list of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee; preparing and circulating papers prior to meetings and taking minutes;

4.2.3 **Secretary:** The Secretary shall assist the LGBT+ Students Officer in the administration and organisation of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee, and shall operate as the Deputy for the LGBT+ Officer. They shall be responsible for maintaining the membership list of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee; preparing and circulating papers prior to meetings and taking minutes;

- 4.2.4 **Campaigns Officer:** The Campaigns Officer shall assist the committee in the running of its awareness campaigns and ensuring they are suitable for the entire membership. They shall assist the committee in supporting the Vice President Welfare & Community in the delivery of campus wide campaigns.
- 4.2.5 **Publicity Officer:** The Publicity Officer shall be responsible for assisting the Campaigns Officer in advertising and promoting campaigns delivered or supported by the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group. They shall promote representation activity undertaken by the Group.
- 4.2.6 **Communications Officer:** The Communications Officer shall be responsible for liaising and collaborating with student networks including academic representatives, members of sports and societies, and student volunteers, to ensure campaigns have the maximum impact.
- 4.2.7 **BAME Officer:** The BAME Officer shall be responsible for raising issues affecting BAME students within the LGBT+ Campaigns Group. They will work closely with the BAME Students Campaign Group to proactively address any issues raised.
- 4.2.8 **Womens' Officer:** The Womens' Officer shall be responsible for raising issues affecting self-defining female members of the LGBT+ Campaigns Group. They will work closely with the Womens' Campaign Group to proactively address any issues raised.
- 4.2.9 **Gender Officer:** The Gender Officer shall be responsible for raising issues affecting any Trans, Non-Binary and those who as non-cisnormative members of University of Lincoln Students' Union (ULSU).

5. **Membership**

5.1 The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group has two types of membership:

5.1.1 **Full Membership:** Full membership is open to all LGBT+ self-defining, those who are questioning their sexuality and those who have an interest in LGBT+ and are full members of ULSU as defined in Bye-Law 1.

5.1.2 **Associate Membership:** Associate membership is open to all LGBT+ self-defining, those who are questioning their sexuality and those who have an interest in LGBT+ who are associate members of ULSU as defined in ByeLaw 1.

6. Elections

6.1 The LGBT+ Officer shall be elected in semester two in accordance with Bye-Law 7 and Standing Order 1001 (8.0) and shall hold their position for the next year. LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee members shall be elected in accordance with Standing Order 1001 (8.0, 11.0). If a member is elected through an emergency election during the academic year to fill a vacant post then they shall hold the position until the end of that academic year.

7. Meetings

7.1 Meetings of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee shall take place every six (6) weeks and at least twice per academic term

7.2 The LGBT+ Officer shall attend meetings of the Campaign Network on a monthly basis.

8. Quorum

8.1 The quoracy of the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee meetings shall be two of the voting membership plus the LGBT+ Officer.

8.2 If the LGBT+ Officer is unable to attend, they can give written permission to the Secretary to chair the meeting.

8.2.1 This written permission will need to be included in the minutes of the relevant meeting, and circulated to other committee members.

9. Minutes

- 9.1 The minutes shall be taken by the Secretary, who will then send them to the clerk of the Campaigns Network, who shall be the Campaign Support Co-ordinator
- 9.2 In event of 8.2 occurring, then minutes shall be taken by the Campaigns Officer.

10. Voting

- 10.1 All motions shall require a three person majority (50% +1) to pass.
 - 10.1.1 All votes shall be public except those on motions of caution, censure and no confidence which shall be conducted by secret ballot, counted by the Secretary and checked by the LGBT+ Officer.
 - 10.1.2 If the motion is against the LGBT+ Officer then it shall be checked by the Vice President Welfare and Community.
 - 10.1.3 If the motion is against the Secretary then the count will be by the LGBT+ Officer and checked by the Vice President Welfare and Community.
- 10.2 Motions of caution, censure and no confidence should be conducted in accordance with Standing Order 1001 (13.0).

11. Powers

- 11.1 The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee shall be able to:
 - 11.1.1 Pass a motion of caution against the LGBT+ Officer;
 - 11.1.2 Bring motions of censure and no confidence, as detailed in Bye-Law 5, against a LGBT+ Officer to any Campaign Network Meeting;
 - 11.1.3 Pass a motion of caution, censure or no confidence against other LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee members. Motions of no confidence are to be ratified by student members and if successful the member is removed from the LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Committee;

- 11.1.4 Submit questions in writing to the Trustees of ULSU to be asked by the Vice President Welfare and Community;

12. Budget

- 12.1 The budget for members of the Campaigns Network will be held as ringfenced money within the Employability & Volunteering Department budget.
- 12.2 The LGBT+ Students' Campaigns Group will be able to request funding from this budget for specific campaigns, through an application to be approved by the Executive Committee.

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Passed at Executive Committee:

Ratified by student members: