

Standing Orders ***Governing Union Forums***

These standing orders are for the Union Forums of the union as outlined in 10.1 of the University of Bradford Union (the union) constitution and outline the running and organisation of the Union Forums

1. Organisation

- 1.1. Any Union Forum will be formed by either:
 - 1.1.1. Union Council, Executive or General Meeting, or
 - 1.1.2. 50 members defining as a particular Liberation or campaign group as outlined in bellow.
- 1.2. There will be an executive officer assigned to each Forum; this will usually be the relevant officer due to job, where this is not clear the Executive committee shall appoint an officer.
- 1.3. There is no Quorum of Forums.
- 1.4. All decision making process in forums are by consensus with the Executive Officer taking a neutral stance to facilitate the process.
- 1.5. It is the responsibility of the Executive Officer to convene the Form meetings and advertise them suitably with assistance from the student members.

2. Creating a Forum

- 2.1. Groups eligible shall be:
 - 2.1.1. Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Trans Students
 - 2.1.2. Black or Minority Ethnic Students
 - 2.1.3. Women Students
 - 2.1.4. Mature Students
 - 2.1.5. International Students
 - 2.1.6. Disabled Students
 - 2.1.7. Students with Dependents
 - 2.1.8. Post Graduate Students
 - 2.1.9. Students living in Halls
 - 2.1.10. Other groups as the Union Council sees fit.

3. Membership

- 3.1. All member of the forum shall be entitled to speak, and participate in the forum activities.
- 3.2. Forms may restrict the membership to people defining as the particular group that the forum is representing.
- 3.3. Any student who fulfils the criteria laid down by the form is automatically a member for the forum and entitled to take part in it's activities.
- 3.4. The forum may invite non-students to attend but this should be agreed before hand by the forum.

4. Agenda and minutes

- 4.1. The agenda shall be drawn up by the executive member with the input of the student members.
- 4.2. Minutes don't have to be kept, but a full report should be submitted to every Union Council meeting.

5. These standing orders

5.1. May only be waived by a two thirds majority of Union Council.

5.2. Must be approved by union council, general meetings or referenda and any changes must follow amendments to the constitution as outlined in Constitution.(15).