

OPEN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Student Leadership Team (SLT)

26 – 28 April 2024

REPORT OF THE AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The SLT is asked to:-

i) **note** the information provided in this report and appendix

The purpose of this paper is to give an overview of the members and the financial position of each Affiliated Society.

The appendix provides information on the state of OU Students Association's Affiliated Societies, showing the number of societies affiliated, the position of their members and financial information regarding their accounts and grant payments.

The data included on this report is taken from information held on the OU Students Association Office database and financial information provided by the Resources team within the Association office.

In the event of any inaccuracies, omissions or errors being noted, you are asked to advise the OU Students Association Office of these as soon as possible following the CEC Meeting.

There was a well attended Societies and Clubs Fair held during Freshers 24B with 74 students attending and 4 societies and clubs present.

The Society Committee met on 2nd March 2024 on-line with representatives of 7 societies in attendance. At the meeting the Chair, Nigel Patterson thanked societies for their attendance in what was the 150th meeting of the Society Committee and looked forward to the in-person AGM in the summer and the excitement of 2024 being a conference year.

A re-draft of 2 sections of the Association bye-laws was undertaken and approved by the Board of Trustees these changes aimed to make financial reporting and the disaffiliation process simpler for both societies and the Association. Work is now underway to re write the Society Guidelines to reflect these changes and this new document is due to be approved at the Society Committee AGM in the summer. As of April 2024 there are 15 societies currently listed as affiliated on the Association website. In addition there are 27 current clubs listed with a combined total membership of 4782 students.

Cazz Flowers VP Community

Pete Turner Head of Student Community