SU Council Agenda

Monday 21st February 2022

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<u>Item 1 – Welcome from the Chair (18:05 – 18:10)</u>

Council Chair to bring meeting to order and welcome officers.

<u>Item 2 – Approval of minutes from the previous meeting (18:10 – 18:15)</u>

Council to approve minutes from previous meeting as an accurate record (minutes available online and in Appendix A).

Item 3 – Resignations from Council (18:15 – 18:30)

Council will hold a private vote to consider the implementation of Leeds Trinity SU's Bye Law 1 with regards to absences from Council (see Appendix B).

Item 4 – Matters Arising (18:30 – 18:35)

Councillors are able to raise any issues which they believe require immediate attention.

Item 5 – Policy Tracker, Action Tracker, and Attendance Log (18:35 – 18:45)

Chair will introduce the policy tracker, action tracker, and attendance log (see Appendix B). The action tracker tracks actions agreed at meetings and those responsible for them.

Item 6 - School Rep Reports (18:45 - 19:00)

School Reps (for ICE, SCBL, and SSHS) to summarise reports (circulated to Council) with feedback from students and Course Reps. Council to then discuss issues and potential solutions.

Item 7 – Sabbatical Officer Reports (19:00 - 19:15)

The President and Vice President to report to Council a summary of the work they have undertaken so far. Council may then ask questions of the sabbatical officers. Both the President and Vice President goals are in Appendix C.

Item 8 - Officer Updates (19:15 - 19:30)

Part-Time Officers (excluding School Reps) to update Council on a summary of the work they have undertaken since the last meeting.

Item 9 - Motions Debate (19:30 - 19:40)

Council to consider, discuss, debate and if appropriate amend policy which has been created in response to an idea gaining more than 25 interactions through Student Say. Full motions are included in Appendix D.

Item 10 - AOB (19:40 - 19:45)

Discussion of any other appropriate business deemed appropriate by the Chair.

Appendix A

Minutes available online on the Leeds Trinity SU website.

Appendix B

Policy Tracker

Policy	Action Required	Assigned Rep(s)	Progress
035 – LTU	- A tile named LTU Marketplace	Rachel Ward	Nov: RW has meeting
Marketplace	will be added to the MyLTU app,	Aleksandra Krysa	lined up with other
	where students can easily access		Leeds Sabbs
	the platform.		Nov/Dec: Verbal
	- This will open a website, linked		update
	to LTSU or other University led		Jan: RW met with
	sites, where students can find		Simon – to update
	sections, such as books, folders,		Council on new
	living on campus items, such as		platform
	slow cookers, toasters, etc.		Feb: Meeting with
	- Advertising the new addition of		Simon to discuss
	this tile and linked website		further.
	among students is highly		
	recommended.		
036 – Trinity	- To Mandate the President,	Chelsey Grooby	Nov/Dec: CG has
Pride	chair of LTUs LGBT+ staff	Rachel Ward	arranged initial
	network and LGBTQ+ Officer to	Abigail Holden	meeting with cochairs
	work together to co-ordinate a		of LGBT+ Staff
	place at the Leeds Pride Parade.		Network to discuss
	- To mandate the Vice President		their pre-existing
	to work with sports clubs and		plans for Pride 2022.
	societies to understand why the		Looking to work
	event is so important and		together to co-attend
	champion inclusivity for their		the event.
	members.		Jan: CG and AH
	- For the Union to publish		meeting with LGBT+
	information about the Stonewall		Society to discuss
	Riots during the rainbow laces		involvement.
	campaign to show consistent		Feb: Proposed
	support for LGBTQ+ students and		collaborative plan
	staff.		with LGBT+ staff
	- That one designated staff		network to organise
	member or student volunteer		and prepare resources
	(e.g. LGBTQ+ Officer) will		for Pride in August.
	attend the parade annually as		One of the co-chairs is
	representation for the students'		getting in touch with
	Union alongside interested		Chris Hulme (previous
	students and staff.		organiser) to get
	- To Provide information from		some details.
	the SU Advice Service on how to		
	stay safe and enjoy the event.		
	- To Publish an article after the		
	event informing members and		
	encourage attendance for the		

	following year or to be active in LGBTQ+ campaigns.		
037 – Permanent Self Defence Sessions	- To mandate the Vice President, Women's Officer, and LGBTQ+ Officer to write a proposal for self-defence classes for women and members of the LGBTQ+ community to be a permanent class offered by Trinity Fitness - To involve the SU Activities Coordinator to try a give it a go session to see what number of students would be interested. This would be a one time event put on by Students Union but would provide relevant statistics in the amount of people interested. - Liaise with other societies and sports clubs to advertise these sessions. Advertising could be through the use of social media or simply word of mouth.	Rachel Ward Kelsey Howard- Matthews Abigail Holden	Nov/Dec: Initial quote too expensive. LS has reached out for further options. Jan: 2 quotes to decide upon. Feb: Verbal Update.
038 – Promoting Self-Care Apps	- To lobby the University to publicise Clear Harm and Clear Fear apps at the end of lectures and in module handbooks - To mandate the Vice President and Mental Health Officer to work with the University to make this a permanent fixture at the end of lectures, throughout the whole year For this to be publicised and be as accessed as easy as self-referrals for counselling	Rachel Ward Emily-Grace Holden	Nov/Dec: Verbal update. Jan: Verbal update. Feb: Verbal update.
039 – Mental Health Crisis Team on Campus	- To mandate both the Vice President and President to lobby the University to implement a 24-hour Crisis Team, alongside the mental health officer - To mandate the Vice President and Mental Health officer to explore other large-scale solutions to the HE mental health crisis. Considering best practise from across the sector - To allow students the support they need all hours of the day from appropriately qualified staff.	Rachel Ward Chelsey Grooby Emily-Grace Holden	Nov/Dec: Verbal update. Jan: Verbal update. Feb: Verbal update.

040 –	- Lobby the University to include	Chelsey Grooby	Nov/Dec: CG and AH
Pronouns	specific genders and pronouns	Abigail Holden	invited to the Name
		Abigaii Holdeli	
on the	on all online University systems		Change Project which
System	where students are expected to		is being led by
	input this information		Director of IT and
	- To mandate President and		Information Systems.
	LGBTQ+ Officer to work with the		In short, progressing
	University project group on		from work started on
	making this happen		pronouns last year.
	- Promote that it has changed,		Jan: Attended
	once it has, so that current		meeting early Jan and
	students can change their		put together a comms
	information too		plan which is now
			being looked over by
			student engagement
			team.
			Feb: Waiting on
			update from Abi who
			was present at most
			recent meeting. Can
			update verbally at
			Council.

Action Tracker

No actions from previous meeting

Attendance Log

	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	Key	
Chelsey Grooby		P I	P F	P						P = Presen	it
Rachel Ward		P I	P F	P						W = Abser	nt with Apologies
Sabiyah Zaheer	V	V	A A	. A						A = Absen	t without Apologies
Vinay Verma		P I	P F	Р						N/I = Not	Incumbent
Molly Jopling		P I	P F	W							
Mahbub Ahmed	,	Α /	A A	N/I							
Priya Saluja		Α /	Α Α	N/I							
Abigail Holden		P	P F	P							
Emily-Grace Holden		P V	V F	P							
Jasmine Grewal		P V	/ W	, w							
Emmanuella Osei		P	P F	P							
Evie Hudson		P V	V F	P							
Aleksandra Krysa		P I	P W	' P							
Kelsey Howard-Matthews		P I	P F	P							
Kyle Hodgkins		4	Α Α	N/I							
Bibi Aasia	V	V	Ρ Δ	. А							
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Appendix C

Chelsey's Goals

#	Topic	How I'll work on it	Status	Progress
1	Volunteer experience	Increase socials, incentives, and drop in support for student volunteers	In pro	Sept '21: Started planning social opps and incentives for student volunteers. First Council social 08/10/21 Oct '21: Course Rep coffee mornings to begin. Nov '21: Christmas Social for Student Council being planned. Jan '22: Christmas Social for Course Reps successful and Council attended Christmas social also. Feb '22: Course Rep coffee mornings are back. To speak to Council about what they want to do for their end of year social.
2	Volunteer experience	Support colleagues with renewal of liV	In pro	Sept' 21: Initial research begun.
3	Volunteer experience	Buddy scheme for student Trustees	Done	Sept '21: Brought to Trustees, all in agreement, to begin planning. Oct '21: Met with GM - finalising buddies next week. Nov '21: To be introduced at Board Development Day in January. Feb '22: Scheme was due to be facilitated in an in-person capacity but various factors have meant this has not been possible this year. I will be passing this scheme onto the next President with the recommendation to run it.

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4	Volunteer experience	Introduce impact reporting for Student Council	Done	Nov '21: Started to receive School Rep reports. Other council members given section of agenda to update. Jan '21: First month for Council to feed back. Feb '22: First lot of impact reports came back to Council and was successful.
5	Improve inclusivity	Decolonise the curriculum	In pro	Sept '21: Met with MG from AKLC to discuss resources, data collection, and database systems (for breakdown in demographic of writers) Oct '21: Decolonisation Forum 29/10/21 Nov '21: Attended NUS Decolonise Teach-In session and networked with other small Universities. Jan '22: In discussion with Bradford SU about their decolonisation case studies. Feb '22: Meeting with Bradford SU and DVC on 24/02/22 to talk about decolonisation case study. Have been asked to introduce the Race Equality Conference with Charles Egbu.

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6	Improve inclusivity	Create new academic and liberation societies	In pro	Sept '21: Business Society set up, spoke to Law students about society. Oct '21: Law now set up. Both societies have run at least 1 social each. Nov '21: Plans in place with LTU to promote equality networks. Have joined LGBT+ Staff Network to better understand how they work. Feb '22: Met with chairs of Liberation Networks to talk about communications and marketing for an official relaunch for September and spoke about support from staff members to student chairs.
7	Improve inclusivity	Free Speech Policy	Todo	Feb '22: Meeting with Lisa and Lucy on 17/02/22
8	Improve inclusivity	Increase BAME representation within SU	In pro	Sept '21: Removed barriers at application process for Student Staff. Oct '21: Aiming to show diversity through BHM events. Nov '21: Completed BHM. Supporting Syra Shakir with Community Building project. Sit on University of Sanctuary Committee. Jan '22: Filming leadership videos for elections to increase diversity of candidates. Feb '22: Speaking to BAME students during work on student charter as their experience scores were particularly low on NSS.

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9	Respond to student needs	Run 1 campaign based on student feedback each term	In pro	Oct '21: Speak Week plans in place. Nov '21: See goals #14-#20. Jan '22: We are Leeds campaign. See goals #14 - #20. Feb '22: See goals #14 - #20.
10	Respond to student needs	Deliver academic feedback from reps to Academic Board	In pro	Jan '22: Sent first report back. Feb '22: Ongoing, Academic Board on 16/02/22
11	Respond to student needs	Monthly SU on Tour	Withd	Nov '21: Due to alternative methods of feedback and lasting impact of Covid-19, I feel that this is no longer an effective way to talk to students.
12	Respond to student needs	Weekly Course Rep Coffee Mornings	In pro	Oct '21: First coffee morning 26/10/21 Nov '21: These are now fortnightly and have had reps in attendance at each event. Jan '22: Starting again for semester 2. Feb '22: Ongoing
13	Respond to student needs	Highlight student wants and needs as Co-Chair of Student Engagement Committee	In pro	Sept '21: Attended agenda setting meeting 28/9/21 Oct '21: First meeting as cochair, worked with student reps to share current student needs. Student interviewee paper approved. Nov '21: Updated agenda to reflect more diverse papers from SU representatives and provided new GM update to own paper. Have agreed that students can use this committee as an open forum for their feedback. Feb '22: Including regular reports with the addition of Speak Week summary which will be covered at the next LTSE meeting - 23/03/22

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14	Respond to student needs	Free transport to Covid Vaccine Centre	Done	Nov '21: Worked with Ruth and team to coordinate staff volunteer sessions to drive the University minibus to the Elland Road vaccine centre. Comms and events now live. 1st trip to commence on 25/11 and will conclude at Christmas. Jan '22: Successfully completed.
15	Respond to student needs	Trinity Pride	In pro	Nov '21: Arranged initial meeting with co-chairs of LGBT+ Staff Network to discuss their pre-existing plans for Pride 2022. Looking to work together to co-attend the event. Jan '22: Meeting with LGBTQ+ Officer and members of LGBT+ society this month. Feb '22: Proposed collaborative plan with LGBT+ staff network to organise and prepare resources for Pride in August. One of the co-chairs is getting in touch with Chris Hulme (previous organiser) to get some details.

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16	Respond to student needs	Name Change Project	In pro	Nov '21: Myself and Abi Holden (LGBTQ+ Officer) have been invited to attend the Name Change Project which is being led by the Director of IT and Information Systems. In short, progressing from work started on pronouns last year. Jan '22: Attended meeting early Jan and put together a comms plan which is now being looked over by student engagement team. Feb '22: Waiting on update from Abi who was present at most recent meeting. Can update verbally at Council.
17	Respond to student needs	Paid student interviewer role	In pro	Oct '21: Took proposal to LTSE and was approved by members for students to be trained and employed for formal staff interviews. Nov '21: Touched base with Catherine O'Connor who is preparing a short paper for the Executive (finance). HR are aware of the role and ready to start rolling this out when approved. Jan '22: Waiting on confirmation. Feb '22: No further updates.

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18	Respond to student needs	Student Safety in Leeds	In pro	Oct '21: After becoming aware of increasing spiking rates in Leeds, we held a boycott night in StUdio and increased security. Also released a joint statement with Director of Student Support. Nov '21: Myself and Ruth are now regularly attending meetings held by West Yorkshire Police focused on support and safety for HEI in Leeds. We are also joined by officers from Arts, Beckett, and Uni of. Jan '22: Ongoing. Still attending regular meetings. Feb '22: Ongoing. Spoke to members of Trinity travel team about using shuttle bus as a nightbus service.
19	Respond to student needs	Academic Staff Assessment	Done	Oct '21: Met initially to discuss support for staff in the form of a staff handbook/assessment guide. Reviewed NSS comments and brought relevant feedback from AY 2021 and suggested use of videos for training purposes. Nov '21: Filmed short video on student expectations of assessment and feedback. Waiting for next steps. Jan '22: Handbook finished. Complete.

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20	Respond to student needs	Sexual Misconduct and Gender-Based Violence	In pro	Oct '21: Within safeguarding and prevent group spoke about a rise in numbers of sexual misconduct and GBV nationally within student groups. Suggestion for University to start subcommittee. Nov '21: Myself and Matt will attend first meeting of subgroup. Jan '22: Ongoing. Feb' 22: Ongoing.
21	Respond to student needs	Shuttle bus service use	In pro	Feb '22: Initial meeting regarding use of Trinity shuttle bus. Potential to expand the service to new locations with a focus on social opportunities, student safety, and saving money.

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1	Grow the SU's impact	Work with colleagues to organise an inclusive, engaging Freshers week	Done	Sept '21: Relaunched StUdio and SU Shop. 42 events held for Freshers
2	Grow the SU's impact	Clearly communicated the advice community (LTU and LTSU)	In progre	Sept '21: Meeting scheduled with MN to discuss. Oct '21: Meeting rescheduled - including mental health placement student Jan '22: Meeting with MN to discuss regular updates with videos and advice. Feb '22: Meeting with MN and Frankie on 15/02 to set out clear comms plan on the services that SU Advice currently deliver - will talk about where best is for this information so that students can clearly access.
3	Grow the SU's impact	Create more employability/Skill opportunities for students	In progre	Feb '22: Waiting for response from myFutures team.
4	Grow the SU's impact	Support and improve a diverse range of clubs and societies	In progre	Sept '21: Societies up for adoption at Freshers' Fair. 2 new societies formed. Clubs returned to training. Oct '21: 17 societies now confirmed. 175 sports members signed up. 136 society members. Nov '21: 3 more new society applications Jan '22: Ongoing Feb '22: Still ongoing - supporting clubs and societies that are struggling with Simon on extra training and clearly communicating our advice on how to get in contact if issues arise and how we can support them.
5	Support student wellbeing	Work with colleagues to map out the wellbeing road map, highlighting available services	In progre	Jan '22: Meeting booked with Toby Chelms from Wellbeing service to discuss. Feb '22: Relates to goal #2 but also have meetings with Toby on the Mental Health Charter and how we are communicating advice to students through MHC and highlighting areas that need improving.

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6	Climate Emergency	Support students with understanding and access to biodegradable sanitary products	In progre	Sept '21: Meeting scheduled with GM to discuss funding. Nov '21: Comms went out and feedback collected. Meetings to be scheduled with Ben to discuss how we get these in our commercial venues. Jan '22: Ongoing - speak to Ben to get these in shop. Feb '22: Booking meeting with Ben when he is free.
7	Climate Emergency	Support students to reduce plastic waste on campus	In progre	Sept '21: Comms out for students during Recycle Week signposting what can and can't be recycled. Signposted refill shops in Leeds for students. Oct '21: Meeting with StUdio coordinator to discuss reduction in commercial services. BP to look at stock and other options for ordering less plastic. Nov '21: Spoke to BP - he is working on sustainability report for our commercial venues. Currently at 60% less plastic Jan '22: Ongoing. Feb '22: BP is writing a report on our commercial services so we can release a statement to students on how we are reducing plastic waste in our venues. Also speaking to Frankie about potentially doing a video on what we have done in our services to reduce plastic waste and how students can support this through their behaviours.
8	Climate Emergency	Create one opportunity of growing food on campus	In progre	Sept '21: Planters ordered. Plans for engaging students. Oct '21: Planters arrived. Organising soil delivery. Nov '21: Sustainability Week to promote society Jan '22: Ongoing Feb '22: Planters now have soil. We'll be moving into phase 2 of the Green Space launch which is planning an event for planting our seeds in the planters.

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9	Climate Emergency	Set up a localised swap shop/upcycling shop	In progre	Sept '21: Meeting with LUU and LBSU on 01/10/21 Oct '21: Work will begin on this after Christmas. Nov '21: Working on LTU Marketplace Jan '22: To meet with Simon to discuss platform. Feb '22: Will meet with Simon this week (14/02)
10	Climate Emergency	Reduce plastic in StUdio to reduce overall plastic waste from commercial services	In progre	Oct '21: Meeting with StUdio coordinator to discuss reduction in commercial services. BP to look at stock and other options for ordering less plastic. Nov '21: Spoke to BP - he is working on sustainability report for our commercial venues. Currently at 60% less plastic Jan '22: Ongoing Feb '22: See goal #7 update.
11	Climate Emergency	Support LTU on the sustainability strategy	In progre	Sept '21: Regular catch up meetings with JE to support with this. Oct '21: Working with LTU on Responsible Futures. Met with JE on embedding sustainability within curriculum. Nov '21: Verbal update Jan '22: To meet with Catherine and Jane to talk about Responsible Futures and LTU Sustainability Strategy. Feb '22: Met with Catherine - sustainability strategy is going forward. We are coming to sending off the proposal for Responsible Futures which will aid the University's sustainability strategy. Campaigns that we run also aid the sustainability strategy.
12	Inclusive student experience	Rainbow Laces Campaign	Done	Oct '21: Met with LGBTQ+ Officer - form sent out to Sports Clubs to state preference of flag on laces. Nov '21: Verbal update Dec '21: successful Rainbow Laces Day - clubs and societies involved and video made
13	Inclusive student experience	Support student interaction with Interfaith Week	Done	Oct '21: Plans in progress. Meeting booked with HH at Chaplaincy. Nov '21: Verbal update

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14	Inclusive student experience	Share Leeds Trinity women on International Women's Day	In progre	Jan '22: Initial meeting with Women's Officer, this has been planned out. To book in another meeting to plan further. Feb '22: Reached out to guest speakers - have had one response. Have a meeting in the next week with Women's Officer to plan what the day is going to be and how it will run with different events within sports and societies and the SU.
15	Inclusive student experience	Support LGBTQ+ student during Pride Month	Todo	
16	Inclusive student experience	Share/promote/build a network with LTU individuals for Black History Month	Done	Sept '21: Events going on over month (on website events page). Oct '21: Have attended events in person and online. Calendar of events with LTU. Nov '21: Verbal update
17	Inclusive student experience	Support disabled students by putting automated door in StUdio	In progre	Sept '21: BP in conversations with LTU Oct '21: Disabled Students' Officer submitted Student Say (to promote). Nov '21: To book in meeting with Estates and Disability Services at Trinity with Disabilities Officer Jan '22: Estates agreed to this. Feb '22: Spoke to Lisa - will be going forward to estates where we can get this in writing and will move forward from here with planning on when we can get this done.
18	Inclusive student experience	Create an International Day for international students	In progre	Jan '22: To put a poll out on Instagram to see who would like to get involved. Feb '22: Spoken to International Society Chair to plan events - society is happy to get involved so I will be working closely with them to run an event in StUdio for international students.

Appendix D				
No motions throu	ugh Student Say.			
Any amended mo	otions to be circulat	ted at meeting.		