



OPEN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Central Executive Committee (CEC)

3 – 5 December 2021

REPORT OF THE AFFILIATED SOCIETIES

The C E C 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.

The Society Committee met on 6 Nov. Alison Lunn from the Association's Resources Team gave a really helpful presentation offering support and tools to societies on financial monitoring and reporting. There was a short discussion regarding societies and their contact with relevant faculties and schools and a brief update on Conference and society delegate allocations as well as the usual round of society reports. In addition Sarah Jones spoke about the need for input from societies for the Association's forthcoming 50th Anniversary, updates were given on Student Voice Week and the Annual Members Survey and the Chair asked for feedback from societies in shaping the Association's process when dealing with societies who might be struggling with numbers, governance and reporting.

Club membership continues to grow with a total of 86 Clubs and a combined membership of 14,247. New clubs to have signed up include; Blogging, True Crime, Animal Crossing, Amnesty and the Inconvenient Feminists Club. The Community Team have initiated a review of all clubs and are currently running focus groups to

see how they can be better supported and where our guidelines can be strengthened.

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