

Ethical and Environmental Committee By-Law



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This By-law sets out the workings of the Ethical and Environmental Committee. You should read it in conjunction with the Sustainability Zone By-law.

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1. Purpose

This section is taken from the Sustainability Zone By-law, section 3.

1.1 The purpose of Ethical and Environmental Committee is:

- i. creating and implementing Union environmental and ethical policy,
- ii. organising environmental and ethical campaigns, and
- iii. representing the environmental and ethical concerns of the student body to the University and beyond

2. Membership

2.1 The membership of the Ethical and Environmental Committee is:

(a) Ethical and Environmental Officer (Chair)

- (i) Ensure that SUSU operates in a socially responsible and environmentally friendly way.
- (ii) Educate students and staff on relevant issues and campaigns.
- (iii) Responsible for representing the interests of Union members in the development of the University and Union towards ethical and environmentally sound working practices and mobilising members to take action to achieve this.

(b) VP Welfare

(c) SUSU President

(d) Energy & Water Coordinator

- (iv) Shall organise and run the Blackout project and liaise with the University committee to ensure the running of a successful event.
- (v) This officer is responsible for chairing the Blackout subcommittee.
- (vi) Will be responsible for any energy and water saving campaigns run during the year to raise awareness of energy and water issues.

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(e) Ethical Coordinator

- (i) Will be responsible for devising and implementing any ethical events or strategies for the Union in conjunction with the E&E Officer.
- (ii) Shall implement and run the Green Label project within SUSU outlets.
- (iii) This officer is responsible for the chairing of the Green Label sub-committee and must liaise with relevant SUSU staff with the support of the E&E Officer to ensure the project is running correctly.

(f) Recycling Coordinator

- (i) Shall organise and run the Waste Wars event in halls and on campus and work with the University to plan an successful event.
- (ii) Will be responsible for any waste and recycling campaigns run during the year to raise awareness of these issues.

(g) Sustainability Action Coordinator

- (i) Shall work with the E&E Officer to organise and implement the recycling on your doorstep campaign.
- (ii) Responsible for working with the University to run swap shop events throughout the year.
- (iii) Shall work with the University Sustainability Action Team to increase student engagement in sustainability and help implement sustainability in the curriculum.

(h) Communications Coordinator

- (i) Responsible for communications for the E&E committee and its activities, will create annual event timetables and co-ordinate publicity for these events, whilst liaising with the CMT Team at SUSU.

(i) Transport Coordinator

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- (i) Support the University and Union efforts to mitigate environmental impacts of travel through regular meetings with the university and SUSU transport Management respectively.

(j) Biodiversity & Conservation Coordinator

- (i) Shall work towards raising awareness of the biodiversity around campus and the conservation strategies that students can get involved with.
- (ii) Will also be responsible for running Biodiversity and Conservation Campaigns that raise awareness of these issues across the university community.

(k) BEES Officer

- (i) Be a champion for the BEES (Business Ethics & Environment Students) Project to students, to maximise student involvement
- (ii) To help embed BEES into SUSU

3. Meetings

- 3.1 The Committee should meet at least twice per term.
- 3.2 The Chair shall ensure agendas and papers are circulated at least 2 clear working days in advance of meetings.
- 3.3 Minutes of each meeting shall be reported to the next meeting of the Sustainability Zone Committee.
- 3.4 Quorum for decisions is one-half of the elected membership of the Committee.