

REFERENDUM NOTIFICATION

BY ORDER OF THE RETURNING OFFICER (on 2 December 2024 *)

**Amended on 3 December 2024 to reflect formal approval of constitutional amendments by Council.*

Constitutional Amendments

Proposed amendments to the Student's Union Constitution were approved at the Statutory Meeting of the Student's Union Council held on Tuesday 3 December 2024.

These amendments require ratification by the Student Members of the Students' Union.

Referendum Details

In accordance with the Rules, this official notification shall be treated as comparable to the receipt of a signed referendum petition from the membership and shall be used to calculate the date of the Referendum.

The full Rules and Regulations for the referendum are available from the Returning Officer (su.voice@qub.ac.uk) and are on the Students' Union website. (www.q-su.org)

A referendum shall take place, by a secret ballot on Q-SU.org, of all student members, on Tuesday 10 December 2024, from 7.00 a.m., to Thursday 12 December 2024, 7.00 p.m., to determine the opinion of the membership on the amendments outlined in the minute excerpts below.

The amendments shall be collated and put as follows:

Proposal 1 – Amendments to the Constitution – Student Officer Roles

"Do you support the proposal to amend the Rules of the Union and change (**the attached**) Student Officer roles?"

YES

NO

Excerpt from the Minutes of the Tuesday 3 December 2024 Statutory Meeting of Council

5. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS/RULE AMENDMENTS

5.1 Proposed Amendments to Student Officer Roles SUC/P/24/7

The Council considered proposed amendments proposed (SUC/P/24/7) with the following effect:

- Replace the role of Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement with Student Officer Activities and Engagement
- Replace the role of Student Officer Equality and Diversity with Student Officer Accessible Education
- Rename the role of Student Officer Welfare to Student Officer Welfare and Community
- Update references to Committees of Council and other references to reflect the changes to Student Officer roles and responsibilities.
- Assign overall responsibility for environmental and sustainability activities to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Assign overall responsibility for equality, diversity, fair representation, equitable access to Union services, and Equal Opportunities to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Assign overall responsibility maintaining contacts with trade unions, voluntary and community organisations with which the Union has an official membership or partnership to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Minor amendments to individual officer roles to reflect remove outdated references and reallocate some responsibilities amongst the roles.
- Replace references to non-existent staff role of Entertainments Manager with Director of the Students' Union
- Formally assign responsibility for participation in University panels (academic appeals, student conduct, academic offences and student complaints) to all Full-Time Student Officers.
- Clarify – as stated in the Constitutional Student Officer Protocol – that Full-Time Student Officers may not be hold Executive Committee posts in a Club or Society.

The proposals are detailed in paper SUC/P/24/8.

The proposals were debated and put to a vote, with the following result:

- 20 For
- 0 Against
- 0 Abstention

The constitutional amendment was carried.

The Council approved an enabling motion to authorise the Clerk of Council to composite the amendments approved at the meeting such that invalid references were removed from the text of the Constitution.

The Council approved a further enabling motion to authorise consideration of the proposed amendments by the Student Membership by Referendum.

1. An amendment to change the current Full-Time Student Officer posts:

- Replace the role of Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement with Student Officer Activities and Engagement
- Replace the role of Student Officer Equality and Diversity with Student Officer Accessible Education
- Rename the role of Student Officer Welfare to Student Officer Welfare and Community
- Update references to Committees of Council and other references to reflect the changes to Student Officer roles and responsibilities.

DELETE (FROM Rule 2, Section 9, 9.1):

The Executive Management Committee posts of Union President, Student Officer Undergraduate Education, Student Officer Postgraduate Education, Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement, Student Officer Equality and Diversity, and Student Officer Welfare shall be elected in the second semester by a cross campus ballot, as in Council Elections.

REPLACE WITH:

The Executive Management Committee posts of Union President, Student Officer Accessible Education, Student Officer Postgraduate Education. Student Officer Undergraduate Education, Student Officer Activities and Engagement, and Student Officer Welfare and Community shall be elected in the second semester by a cross campus ballot, as in Council Elections.

DELETE (FROM Rule 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, 1.1.1):

Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement

Student Officer Equality and Diversity

Student Officer Welfare

REPLACE WITH:

Student Officer Activities and Engagement

Student Officer Accessible Education

Student Officer Welfare and Community

DELETE (FROM Rule 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, 1.2):

The Sabbatical Officer posts of Student Officer Undergraduate Education, Student Officer Postgraduate Education, Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement, Student Officer Equality and Diversity, and Student Officer Welfare shall be Vice Presidents of the Union.

REPLACE WITH:

The Sabbatical Officer posts of Student Officer Accessible Education, Student Officer Postgraduate Education, Student Officer Undergraduate Education, Student Officer Activities and Engagement, and Student Officer Welfare and Community shall be Vice Presidents of the Union.

DELETE (Rule 4, Section 5 – THE STUDENT OFFICER CAMPAIGNS AND ENGAGEMENT):

5. THE STUDENT OFFICER CAMPAIGNS AND ENGAGEMENT

They:

- 5.1 Shall seek to engender a campaigning spirit within the Student Membership and shall be a point of contact for advice, support and direction in relation to campaigns.
- 5.2 Shall develop and maintain contacts with trade unions and community organisations with which the Union has an official membership or partnership.
- 5.3 Shall, in partnership with the Union President, and Student Officer Welfare, ensure good community cohesion and shall maintain good community relations, insofar as it is possible, with Residents' Groups and Associations in the South Belfast area. Shall act as the Students' Union's primary point of contact for such Groups and Associations and shall be responsible for ensuring that the Union is represented at all meetings to which an invitation has been received.
- 5.4 Shall have overall responsibility for the coordination of student development, including clubs and societies, enterprise, employability and volunteering activities, within the Students' Union, in liaison with the President and relevant Students' Union staff, and shall seek to engage students with related opportunities that exist within the Union, to include the Freshers' Fair and training events for Clubs and Societies. Shall, in partnership with Students' Union staff, provide advice and support to Clubs and Societies with regards to the terms set out in Rule 8.

- 5.5 Shall be responsible, insofar as it is possible, for ensuring that, as stipulated within Rule 8, public statements by a Society have the approval of the Union President and are not contrary to the terms and spirit of the Constitution.
- 5.6 Shall be responsible for fostering and developing an inclusive and diverse sense of community, among the Student Membership within the Union and across the University, in partnership with relevant University departments.
- 5.7 Shall work in association with the RAG organisation in order to assist with the execution of this body's duties and shall act as Treasurer of the Rag organisation.
- 5.8 Shall be responsible for campaigns and initiatives related to sustainability and environmental activism within the Union, the University and wider society.
- 5.9 Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

INSERT (INTO Rule 4 – NEW SECTION – THE STUDENT OFFICER ACTIVITIES AND ENGAGEMENT) and number clauses accordingly:

THE STUDENT OFFICER ACTIVITIES AND ENGAGEMENT

They:

Shall, insofar as it is possible, seek to develop and foster an inclusive, diverse and participatory sense of community among the Student Membership within the Union and across the University, in partnership with relevant Students' Union and University departments.

Shall, insofar as it is possible, represent the general interests of Clubs, Societies and Student Associations to the University Authorities on matters related to services, support and resourcing for Clubs, Societies and Student Associations.

Shall be a point of contact and support for student-led participatory activities on campus.

Shall encourage a sense of community and promote greater involvement by the recognised Clubs, Societies and Student Associations in Union affairs.

Shall seek to engender a campaigning spirit within the Student Membership and encourage student groups to engage and participate in Union campaigning activities.

Shall, in liaison with the President and relevant Students' Union staff, have responsibility for the support and development of student engagement services in the Union, including clubs and societies, enterprise, employability and volunteering activities, and shall seek to engage students with related opportunities that exist within the Union.

Shall, in partnership with Students' Union staff, provide advice and support to Clubs and Societies with regards to the terms set out in Rule 8.

Shall be responsible, insofar as it is possible, for ensuring that, as stipulated within Rule 8, public statements by a Society have the approval of the Union President and are not contrary to the terms and spirit of the Constitution.

Shall work in association with the RAG organisation in order to assist with the execution of this body's duties and shall act as liaison between the Executive Management Committee and the Rag organisation.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

DELETE (Rule 4, Section 6 – THE STUDENT OFFICER EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY):

6. THE STUDENT OFFICER EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

They:

- 6.1 Shall be responsible for the fair representation of all student groups within the Students' Union.
- 6.2 Shall liaise with the University with regard to all matters pertaining to equality, diversity and gender issues, and shall make effective representation and provide input in order to influence the policy making of the University regarding Equal Opportunities.
- 6.3 Shall, in partnership with relevant Non-Sabbatical Student Officers, be responsible for representing the interests of particular student groups, which shall include but are not limited to the following:
 - (i) Disabled Students;
 - (ii) Mature Students;
 - (iii) Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Students;
 - (iv) International Students;
 - (v) Students of all Faith Groups;
 - (vi) Part-Time Students;
 - (vii) Student Carers;
 - (viii) Care Leavers;
 - (ix) Student Parents; and
 - (x) Women Students.
- 6.4 Shall provide policy advice and support to relevant Non-Sabbatical Student Officers.
- 6.5 Shall develop and maintain contacts with external community and voluntary organisations or relevance under-represented or disadvantaged student groups with which the Union has an official membership or partnership.
- 6.6 Shall strive to ensure that a genuine spirit of diversity and equality of opportunity is present throughout the Students' Union and the University, and to support and represent those students who face discrimination.

- 6.7 Shall ensure that Students' Union services are accessible to all students, maintain communications with under-represented or disadvantaged groups and draw attention to instances of discriminatory behaviour within the Union and the University whenever these occur.
- 6.8 Shall work in partnership with the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement on campaigns related to equality and diversity.

INSERT (INTO Rule 4 – NEW SECTION – THE STUDENT OFFICER ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION) and number clauses accordingly:

THE STUDENT OFFICER ACCESSIBLE EDUCATION

They:

Shall, insofar as it is possible, represent the interests of the Students in all matters relating to their academic studies, with a particular focus on academic engagement and attainment.

Shall produce such reports as may be required to promote the members' interests at University, local and national levels.

Shall be responsible for liaising with the University Authorities on matters related to access to education, equity in education, widening participation, student welcome and transition to higher education, supports for non-traditional learners including mature and part-time students, student parents and carers, student care leavers, those seeking asylum and refuge and international students.

Shall be responsible for coordinating the advocacy activity of student academic representatives, with a particular focus on with a particular focus on matters relating to Students from under-represented or disadvantaged backgrounds.

Shall liaise with University Authorities and students to develop a positive culture of academic community within the University.

Shall, insofar as it is possible, be concerned with the general issues of transfer of courses, university scholarships, and learning supports, study skills, academic regulations and quality assurance, student academic progression and attainment, digital learning, careers services, and institutional education strategy, with a particular focus on under-represented or disadvantaged Students.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of education-related information for publication by the Students' Union, where relevant.

Shall encourage greater involvement by the recognised Student Associations in advocating on educational matters.

Shall campaign on issues that impact upon the academic student experience of under-represented or disadvantaged Students.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

DELETE (FROM Rule 4 – Section 7 – THE STUDENT OFFICER WELFARE):

THE STUDENT OFFICER WELFARE

REPLACE WITH:

THE STUDENT OFFICER WELFARE AND COMMUNITY

DELETE (FROM Rule 8 – CLUBS AND SOCIETIES, Section 1, 1.15):

Any ruling by the Vice President Campaigns and Engagement regarding the Constitution of a Club or Society shall be final, subject to the right of appeal to the Council. Any such ruling shall be reported to the next meeting of the Council. The Council may delegate responsibility for receiving such reports to a sub-committee of the Council.

REPLACE WITH:

Any ruling by the Student Officer Activities and Engagement regarding the Constitution of a Club or Society shall be final, subject to the right of appeal to the Council. Any such ruling shall be reported to the next meeting of the Council. The Council may delegate responsibility for receiving such reports to a sub-committee of the Council.

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 6 – THE INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS' COMMITTEE, Article 6.3):

In addition to the ordinary membership of the Committee, as outlined above in 6.2, the Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Equality & Diversity, who shall be responsible for convening meetings of the Committee.

REPLACE WITH

In addition to the ordinary membership of the Committee, as outlined above in 6.2, the Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Accessible Education, who shall be responsible for convening meetings of the Committee.

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 7 – THE UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE, Article 7.4):

The Student Officer Postgraduate Education, and the members of Council elected from the Postgraduate Taught Faculty Representative and Postgraduate Research Faculty Representative constituencies may also to be in attendance without voting rights.

REPLACE WITH

The Student Officer Postgraduate Education, Student Officer Accessible Education, and the members of Council elected from the Postgraduate Taught Faculty Representative and Postgraduate Research Faculty Representative constituencies may also to be in attendance without voting rights.

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 8 – THE POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE, Article 8.4):

The Student Officer Undergraduate Education, and the members of Council elected from the Undergraduate Faculty Representative constituency may also to be in attendance without voting rights.

REPLACE WITH:

The Student Officer Undergraduate Education, Student Officer Accessible Education, and the members of Council elected from the Undergraduate Faculty Representative constituency may also to be in attendance without voting rights.

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 9 – STUDENT ASSOCIATIONS COMMITTEE, Article 9.4):

The Union President and Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement may be in attendance (without voting rights).

REPLACE WITH:

The Union President, Student Officer Accessible Education and Student Officer Activities and Engagement may be in attendance (without voting rights).

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 10 – STUDENT CAMPAIGNS COMMITTEE, Article 10.3):

The Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement (or their nominee, being a member of the Executive Management Committee). The chairperson shall only have a casting vote.

REPLACE WITH:

The Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Activities and Engagement (or their nominee, being a member of the Executive Management Committee). The chairperson shall only have a casting vote.

DELETE (FROM Rule 5, Section 12 – THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES COMMITTEE, Article 12.3):

In addition to the ordinary membership of the Committee, as outlined above, the Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement, who shall be responsible for convening meetings of the Committee.

REPLACE WITH:

In addition to the ordinary membership of the Committee, as outlined above, the Committee shall be chaired by the Student Officer Activities and Engagement, who shall be responsible for convening meetings of the Committee.

Minor updates to Student Officer role descriptions to remove outdated references and reallocate some responsibilities amongst the roles, including:

- Assign overall responsibility for environmental and sustainability activities to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Assign overall responsibility for equality, diversity, fair representation, equitable access to Union services, and Equal Opportunities to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Assign overall responsibility maintaining contacts with trade unions, voluntary and community organisations with which the Union has an official membership or partnership to the Executive Management Committee who shall assign special responsibilities to individual Student Officers on an annual basis.
- Minor amendments to individual officer roles to reflect remove outdated references and reallocate some responsibilities amongst the roles.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

The Executive Management Committee shall, on an annual basis, allocate responsibility for Students' Union environmental and sustainability activities, and for advocacy on environmental and sustainability matters, amongst the members of the Executive Management Committee.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

The Executive Management Committee shall, on an annual basis, allocate responsibility for equality, diversity, fair representation, equitable access to Union services, and Equal Opportunities matters amongst the members of the Executive Management Committee. This shall include maintaining relationships with external community and voluntary organisations of relevance to under-represented or disadvantaged student groups with which the Union has an official membership or partnership.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

The Executive Management Committee shall, on an annual basis, allocate responsibility for maintaining contacts with trade unions, voluntary and community organisations with which the Union has an official membership or partnership amongst the members of the Executive Management Committee.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 2 – THE UNION PRESIDENT) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

Shall seek to engender a campaigning spirit within the Student Membership and shall be a point of contact for advice, support and direction in relation to campaigns.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 2 – THE UNION PRESIDENT, ARTICLE 2.13):

Shall, on behalf of the Students' Union, liaise with the National Union of Students (NUS), the Union of Students in Ireland (USI), the National Union of Students - Union of Students in Ireland (NUS-USI) and the Aldwych Group.

REPLACE WITH:

Shall, on behalf of the Students' Union, be the led delegate and liaise with the National Union of Students (NUS), the Union of Students in Ireland (USI), the National Union of Students - Union of Students in Ireland (NUS-USI) and the Russell Group Students' Unions organisation.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 2 – THE UNION PRESIDENT, ARTICLE 2.13):

Shall effectively act as line manager for all other Student Members of the Executive Management Committee, regulating and overseeing arrangements for holidays, sickness absence and performance management.

REPLACE WITH:

Shall, in conjunction with the relevant Students' Union staff, effectively act as line manager for all other Student Members of the Executive Management Committee, regulating and overseeing arrangements for holidays, sickness absence and performance management.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 3 – STUDENT OFFICER UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION):

Shall, insofar as it is possible, be concerned with the general issues of transfer of courses, university scholarships, and study skills, changes to School and Faculty Regulations, Progress Committees and careers education, information and guidance, with a particular focus on undergraduate Students.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of the Education Section of Students' Union publications, where relevant.

Shall work in partnership with the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement on campaigns related to the educational experience, with a particular focus on the undergraduate student experience.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

INSERT INTO (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 3 – STUDENT OFFICER UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

Shall, insofar as it is possible, be concerned with the general issues of transfer of courses, university scholarships, and learning supports, study skills, academic regulations and quality assurance, student academic progression and attainment, digital learning, careers services, and institutional education strategy, with a particular focus on undergraduate Students.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of education-related information for publication by the Students' Union, where relevant.

Shall encourage greater involvement of undergraduate Students in Union affairs.

Shall campaign on issues that impact upon the academic student experience of undergraduate Students.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 4 – STUDENT OFFICER POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION):

Shall, insofar as it is possible, be concerned with the general issues of transfer of courses, university scholarships, and study skills, changes to School and Faculty Regulations, Progress Committees and careers education, information and guidance, with a particular focus on postgraduate Students.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of postgraduate-related content for Students' Union media and publications, where relevant.

Shall encourage greater involvement of postgraduate Students in Union affairs.

Shall campaign on issues that impact upon the academic student experience of postgraduate Students.

Shall work in partnership with the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement on campaigns related to the educational experience, with a particular focus on the postgraduate student experience.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

INSERT INTO (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 4 – STUDENT OFFICER POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

Shall, insofar as it is possible, be concerned with the general issues of transfer of courses, university scholarships, and learning supports, study skills, academic regulations and quality assurance, student academic progression and attainment, digital learning, careers services, and institutional education strategy, with a particular focus on undergraduate Students.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of education-related information for publication by the Students' Union, where relevant.

Shall encourage greater involvement of postgraduate taught and postgraduate research Students in Union affairs.

Shall campaign on issues that impact upon the academic student experience of postgraduate Students.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 7 – STUDENT OFFICER WELFARE):

Shall, insofar as it is possible, represent the interests of the Students in all matters relating to their welfare.

Shall be concerned with the general issues of accommodation, safety and wellbeing for Students.

Shall be responsible for liaison with the Students' Union Crèche and other campus-based childcare facilities, representing the interests of Students in these areas.

Shall be concerned with the general issues of financial hardship and legal aid and shall assist the Student Officer Undergraduate Education and Student Officer Postgraduate Education with regard to Student Support Meetings.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of the Welfare Section of Students' Union publications, where relevant.

Shall, in partnership with the Union President and the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement, ensure good community cohesion and shall maintain good community relations, insofar as it is possible, with Residents' Groups and Associations in the South Belfast area.

Shall work in partnership with the Student Officer Campaigns and Engagement on campaigns related to student welfare.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

INSERT INTO (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 7 – STUDENT OFFICER WELFARE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

Shall, insofar as it is possible, represent the general interests of the Students in all matters relating to their welfare.

Shall be concerned with the general issues of accommodation and student housing; safety; mental, physical and sexual health and wellbeing for Students.

Shall be concerned with the general issues of financial hardship, student support financing, and legal aid.

Shall be responsible for the compilation of welfare-related information for publication by the Students' Union, where relevant.

Shall, in partnership with the Union President, ensure good community cohesion and shall maintain good community relations, insofar as it is possible, with Residents' Groups and Associations in the South Belfast area. Shall act as the Students' Union's primary point of contact for such Groups and Associations and shall be responsible for ensuring that the Union is represented at all meetings to which an invitation has been received.

Shall be a member of all relevant University Committees and groups.

Administrative Amendments

Replace references to non-existent staff role of Entertainments Manager with Director of the Students' Union

DELETE (FROM Rule 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, 1.26):

The Executive Management Committee shall be responsible, in conjunction with the Entertainments Manager, for the provision of student-focused entertainments at competitive prices in a safe environment.

REPLACE WITH:

The Executive Management Committee shall be responsible, in conjunction with the Director of the Students' Union, for the provision of student-focused entertainments at competitive prices in a safe environment.

Formally assign responsibility for participation in University panels (academic appeals, student conduct, academic offences and student complaints) to all Full-Time Student Officers.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

Each Executive Management Committee Officer shall take an active role participating in University panels relating to academic appeals, student conduct, academic offences and student complaints, and in supporting students engaged with these processes.

Clarify – as stated in the Constitutional Student Officer Protocol – that Full-Time Student Officers may not hold Executive Committee posts in a Club or Society.

DELETE (FROM RULE 4, SECTION 2 – THE UNION PRESIDENT, ARTICLE 2.15):

Shall not act as Secretary or Treasurer of any Sporting Club or Non-Sporting Society.

INSERT A NEW CLAUSE (INTO RULE 4, Section 1 – THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE) and renumber existing clauses accordingly:

A Sabbatical Officer of the Executive Management Committee elected by the Student Membership shall not act as Secretary or Treasurer of any Sporting Club or Non-Sporting Society.

INSERT (A NEW RULE – TRANSITORY ARRANGEMENTS) and renumber existing Rules accordingly:

TRANSITORY ARRANGEMENTS

1. TRANSITORY ARRANGEMENTS

- 1.1 All members of the Executive Management Committee in post on the date of amendments entering into force shall continue in their posts with the titles, duties and responsibilities as enacted on the date of their commencing in post until the end of their term of office.
- 1.2 These transitory arrangements shall have no standing from the first working day of July 2025 and shall be expunged from the Constitution on the first working day of July 2025.

Enabling Motion (Constitutional Consistency)

Enabling motion to rename, reorder and renumber Constitutional clauses, and remove invalid references, as appropriate, to reflect the amendments approved by Council.

This motion shall be deemed to have been moved and approved if any Constitutional amendment at this meeting is moved and carried

Constitutional Amendment Motion:

“This Council empowers the Clerk of Council to rename, reorder and renumber Constitutional clauses, and remove invalid references, as appropriate, to reflect the amendments approved by the Statutory Meeting of the Students’ Union Council, held on 3 December 2024.”

Enabling Motion (Referendum)

Enabling motion to conduct a Referendum on to ratify Constitutional amendments approved at the Statutory Meeting of Council.

This motion shall be deemed to have been moved and approved if any Constitutional amendment at this meeting is moved and carried.

Referendum Motion:

“A Referendum shall take place, via by a secret ballot of all student members on q-su.org, on by end of the Teaching Week period in December 2022, at a date and time to be determined by the Returning Officer.

The purpose of this Referendum shall be to ratify those amendments to the Students’ Union Constitution and its Rules that have been approved by the Students’ Union Council during the Statutory Meeting of the Students’ Union Council, held on 3 December 2024”