

# **Byelaw amendment for Protected Speaking Time**

Proposer: Derek Gardiner (Societies Union)

Seconders: Daniel O'Connor (Societies Union) Peri Dalkic (Societies Union) Angus Hepburn (Disabled Students Forum)

## **AGM Notes**

1. Byelaw 6.8.2 states that “Procedural motions shall have priority over all other business. No procedural motion may be moved while a procedural motion is being considered.”
2. That this allows speeches for and against ordinary motions to be interrupted.

## **AGM Believes**

1. That it is in the interests of student democracy for everyone who wants to speak in favour of or against a motion to have the time to do so as an elected member.
2. That if there is enough interest then speeches should be allowed to continue.

## **AGM Resolves**

1. Insert byelaw 6.8.5 to read “No Procedural motion may be proposed until there have been at least four rounds of floor speeches”
2. Amend byelaw 6.8.4 to require a two-thirds majority to any procedural motion to move straight to a vote.

# **Byelaw Amendment – Byelaw 9, subsection V**

## **Recognising Aberdeen Student Climate Network as a formal affiliated Group of Aberdeen University Student Association**

Proposer: Louise Henrard (Communities Officer)

Seconders: Tomás Pizarro-Escuti

### **Council notes**

- 1) Byelaw 9, subsection V currently recognises 5 student groups affiliated with AUSA.

### **Council believes**

- 1) This should include Aberdeen Student Climate Network (ASCN) as a student group;
- 2) ASCN meets all requirements laid out in Byelaw 9, subsection II.

### **Council resolves**

- 1) To amend Byelaw 9, subsection V. To add “g. Aberdeen Student Climate Network (ASCN), to have formal recognition as an affiliated group of AUSA.

## **Byelaw amendment to Re-Affiliation Byelaw 7.9**

Proposer: Anttoni James Numminen

Seconders: Magnus Høgenni, Jack Boag, Luke Hadlow, Matthew Sheehan, Glenn Agutu, Tomás Pizzaro-Escuti, Martin Le Brech

### **Annual General Meeting Notes:**

1. In order to remain affiliated in AUSA, societies must fulfil the criteria as listed below:
2. A Society must have a minimum of three (3) Committee Members at any given time, which must include President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
3. A Society must have a minimum of ten (10) Ordinary Members at any given time, all of which need to be Aberdeen University students.

### **Annual General Meeting Believes:**

1. Societies are an integral part of University life as well as being an integral part of the life of the Association.
2. Many societies, such as political and religious societies, play an important role, not only in the lives of students but also in the wider community.
3. Owing to fluctuations in support for ideas/beliefs, certain societies may at times find it hard to gain enough members to meet the above criteria.
4. As many societies play an important part not only in campus life, but in the life of the wider community, it is in the interests of all – students, the Association, affiliate members and the Aberdeen community - to allow societies to remain affiliated.

### **Annual General Meeting Resolves:**

1. To change AUSA Byelaw 7 introduction to read “a society is a group of 10 or more students with a common interest and purpose governed by a committee of three or more members and meets the minimum criteria outlined in 1.2 of this byelaw.”
2. To change AUSA Byelaw 7 at 1.3 point 2 to read “a society must have a minimum of ten members (including Committee Members) at any given time, all of which need to be Aberdeen University students.”