

Student Council Motion Proposal

Your Policy Motion Title Goes Here:

Policy Number:	2018-19_001	Policy Date	27/09/2018
Policy Proposer: (Include name and student number)	Euan Morrison – VP Education		
Policy Seconder: (Include name and student number)	Lucy Conn - President		

Summary:

Please give a summary of your policy motion here:
Worcester Students' Union to align with NUS and to support the campaign for a 'People's Vote and a final say on Brexit'.

Student Council Notes the Following Facts:

Please outline the facts as they stand:

The NUS voted to support a 'Peoples Vote' at its national conference in Glasgow (27th-29th). Worcester Students' Union's delegates supported this motion.

The likelihood of a no deal scenario is becoming increasingly more likely.

Leaving the EU will have a number of impacts for our students including academic mobility, such as the Erasmus+ scheme which offers opportunities for not only Higher Educations (HE) students but apprentices, volunteer, academics and young people to study, work, volunteer, teach and train across Europe. Whilst membership of Erasmus+ is not dependant on EU membership (countries such as Turkey and Norway are amongst existing members) there is no guarantee of our continued membership after Brexit.

Support nationally for a 'Peoples Vote' is growing each week

Student Council Holds the Viewpoint That:

Noting the facts above why is change needed? Insert in here what you want to change and why.

Brexit will have huge, irreversible, ramifications for the UK. If a good Brexit deal cannot be agreed, it's our generation, and generations to follow, that will have to suffer the consequences.

Whether you voted leave or remain, nobody voted to make this country worse off, to harm jobs, to damage the NHS, to affect the future of millions of young people, or to make this country more divided.

The more the shape of the final Brexit deal becomes clear, the more it is clear that it will do not improve social justice, reduce inequality, increase our standard of living, or create a better future for future generations.

We are demanding our democratic voice be heard on Brexit. Since the referendum in 2016, new evidence has emerged on what we were once told would be "the easiest deal in history". We now know the true cost of the divorce bill, as well as the impact of Brexit on the NHS, workers' rights and public services.

This Government has failed on Brexit: there is no mandate for its proposal or for a no-deal Brexit. Whether our students wish to leave or remain they should have a say on if and how we leave now we have a clearer understanding of what Brexit means for Higher Education, the economy and wider society.

Student Council Resolves to Take the Following Action(s):

Please write in here what actions Student Council will undertake/mandate the Union to undertake, should this motion pass.

Worcester Students' Union to support the campaign for a 'People's Vote and a final say on Brexit'.