Student Council roundup 1st April 2014

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| 25 Student Councillors attended |
| **SU on Tour** – responses and comments are being analysed by the Welcome Desk staff and Executive Committee will report on actions to be taken |
| **Halal** – Paul has opened discussions with the new catering manager and is optimistic that alternative foods will be available from September |
| **Living wage** – board of trustees has decided the SU is not in a position to introduce this |
| **Strike savings to bolster hardship fund** – Pro Vice Chancellor (Students) is considering this |
| **Nightline** – steering group has had first meeting and Paul hopes Nightline may be introduced for 2014-15 |
| **Student-led teaching awards** – nominations open from 17th March to 11th April, award ceremony will be Friday 9th May |
| **Printer credit** – University will not provide free credit for students in 2014-15, but may consider it for 2015-16 |
| **StARs Forum** – final meeting Thursday 10th April |
| **Varsity** – about to begin |
| **Sports and societies** – deadline for holding AGMs and electing new committees is Friday 2nd May. Committee training will take place Monday 26th May |
| **VoScAs and Colours** – deadline for nominations for awards from sports and societies committees is Wednesday 9th April |
| **Activities survey** – results are now with Head of Recreation and Sports Strategy |
| **Access agreement** – President concerned that income from tuition fees will be diverted away from providing financial support for current students to more outreach work with schools.  |
| **Worcester Weeks** – the University is considering changes to the number, timing and content of Worcester Weeks. Student Councillors’ views demonstrated a range of positive and negative experiences and differences of opinion in terms of when Worcester Weeks should be and what they should include. |
| **By-elections** – no nominations for Diversity Officer, Sustainability Officer, Welfare Officer. Student Council voted to hold a by-election for these in October 2014. |
| **Motion requiring executive officers to report on motions previously passed** – this was discussed but the motion was defeated as this should happen as a matter of course |
| **Motion to give Student Council authority to make official statements on issues which impact on students** – this was discussed but the motion was defeated as it would be impracticable and unhelpful |
| **Next meeting of Student Council** – will need to be held during week commencing Monday 12th May. Kynton will check on the best day/time to maximise attendance |