

**Environment and Sustainability Sub-Committee**

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| **Meeting details** | | | |
| **Meeting name** | **Environment and Sustainability Sub-Committee** | | |
| **Date** | **Wednesday 17th November 2021** | **Time** | **14:00-15:00** |
| **Location** | The Lounge, Students’ Union, Plymouth Campus | | |

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| **Minutes** | |
| **1.**  **Welcome** | Will Jones – Part-time Environment and Sustainability Officer  Emi Dowse – President  Mads Morton – VP Activities  Charlie Atkinson – VP Education  Fawzy Ahmed – VP Wellbeing and Diversity  Amy Bennett and Matt Tosdevin – UoP Environment Officer  Liz Staples – Student Voice Engagement Assistant (minutes)  Tracy Priestman – Representation and Democracy Manager |
| **2.**  **Attendance / Apologies** | None. |
| **3.**  **Minutes of last meeting** | No corrections. |
| **4. Notification of any other business** | Potential change of meeting time to allow more students to attend. |
| **5 Matters to discuss** |  |
| **6. Previous SU work** | 2019/20 - The president and VP led a campaign to ban single use plastics on campus, with straws provided upon request. Covid-19 stalled this progress and in places caused regression. |
| **7. President Update** | The University and the SU now have sustainability again as their focus. The new CEO’s focus is environmental sustainability. Costa has been removed from the campus as they do not meet acceptable sustainability goals. The SU now use a local Devon coffee company and no longer use single use plastic. |
| **8. E&S Officer Update** | Environmental society runs a swap shop so no need to organise these with another team.  TERA recycle system is not going to be employed due to their complicated conditions.  Promote the Green and volunteering teams. Promote the green icons in societies. |
| **9. University Update** | The University does not have any fossil fuel investments, however due to research affiliations does not state the ‘Fossil Free Declaration’. |
| **10. Q&A/Suggestions** | Disappointing student engagement.  Student – Digital screen displays could be dimmed to save energy.  - Screens and lights need to be switched off in empty rooms. |
| **11. AOB** | The University is affiliated with ‘Electronic Watch Public Procurement’.  Estates are keen to be involved with E/S Sub Committee.  Estates – ISO standards audit w/c 22nd Nov 2021.  Estates – Energy and water consumption of the campus buildings need  meters to understand  Estates - Investigation into the carbon footprint of meals from Loafers. |
| **12. Dates for the diary** | TBC |
|  | **End of meeting** |