

Student Council - Meeting Minutes

October, 2023

Attendees

Student representatives from:

- Light Motor Vehicle
- Pathways
- Access to HE
- Childcare
- Sport
- Animal Care
- Engineering

Positives of first half term:

- Praise for staff Teaching & Learning Facilitator (LF) teams
- Students report feeling very welcome, supported and challenged during their time here so far
- Returning students said the changes in behaviour policy have supported them doing the right thing - particularly reports helping to encourage
- Opportunities to have more time in the animal unit conducting work experience with new learners positive, and support with UCAS/ progression

Discussion points for change:

- Students noted a need for more space outside for non-smoking & smokers
- Bells cannot be heard outside and noise can disrupt lessons for those not on lunch, animals in the unit and neurodivergent learners
- Queue length in the canteen as food isn't served until 12, big queues build-up
- Wi-Fi issues being booted out frequently/not always able to connect
- Charging ports do not always work/need more spaces to charge phones/laptops
- Break times with busy queues, the lunch breaks are sometimes too short
- Canteen request for more healthy options and more gluten-free/food intolerance choices
- Rubbish in the canteen/outside, request for self-cleaning options in the canteen

- Bus times issues noted especially around the Knutsford bus arriving on time
- Fire alarm/lockdown practice requested by learners so all know the procedures