

President Elections 2022

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As an affiliated Society or Club with the Students' Union, you can have a large influence on campus. This endorsement process is the perfect chance to get your group involved in the running of your Students' Union. In order to make sure our elections remain fair and transparent; we ask you follow this simple process when choosing which candidates to endorse.

Endorsing a candidate means that as a student group, you believe they would be the best candidate for the role, and your group supports what they are standing for (their manifesto). What this means in principle, is you can use your platforms to openly support the candidate. Endorsements must take place in Student Group owned social media spaces i.e., Facebook pages, and in official means of Student Group communication i.e., emails or newsletters. This means no private group chat functionality should be setup for the use of endorsement or campaigning.

Any breach of this information or process, could result in an investigation against the group and candidate. Any Student Group endorsing a candidate, should also review the Elections rules found on the SU website.

Please note Falmouth Anchor, SURF Radio, Kosel, Voices and Penryn Press must remain impartial due to the nature of their platforms and the opportunity to engage with the wider Elections.

So, what do you need to do?

1. Decide if as a group, you want to consider endorsing any candidates -if you don't, then you can ignore this process.
2. You must not endorse until candidates have been formally announced (Monday 24th February) and you can read all candidate manifestos, which can be found on the Students' Union website.

3. Between the 24th February and 28th February, the endorsing process occurs. You must hold a democratic meeting online with your committee to discuss if/who you endorse. You can only endorse one candidate per position.
4. Only full members of the Committee can take part in the vote.
Associate members should not take part in the vote.
5. There must be a majority agreement of the committee. If a candidate(s) is part of the Committee, the decision should be made without the presence or influence of the candidate(s) in question. To vote in a virtual meeting, the candidate/s would need to leave the meeting and a vote should be done verbally or with the hands-up function.
6. Associate members who are staff of either University, the SU, or FX Plus must remain impartial regardless of any endorsements their club / society may have chosen.
7. Send details of the voting method used and your results to elections@thesu.org.
[uk](mailto:elections@thesu.org) including date of vote, a register and the results; you should do this even if you have decided not to endorse anyone as a result of your vote. All information must be sent in by 28th February to be checked, and confirmed by the Elections team.
8. Any form of endorsements as listed above, cannot begin until official campaigning begins, which is the 24th February at 12pm, but also until you have a response from the Elections team confirming the above information.
9. Endorsements, as per our Elections Rules, can only use digital means as no physical campaigning is allowed due to lockdown rules.