

RCSA Policy List

A motion passed by an Open Meeting shall become RCSA Policy unless it lies in breach of the RCSA Constitution or beyond the powers of the Open Meeting. RCSA Policy shall lapse after three years unless renewed. Open meeting motions relating to the allocation funds are not considered policy and expire at the conclusion of the Budget Cycle in which passed.

All policy may be freely challenged by a petition and annulled by simple majority in a referendum of RCSA members.

The policy of the RCSA has been separated into three year cycles such that it is obvious when policy needs to be renewed. Within each cycle they are listed chronologically with the oldest policies first.

2016

Late Bar Opening

Passed: November 21st 2004

Renewed: January 27th 2008, November 28th 2010, November 23rd 2013, November 20th 2016

- That subject to consultation as required, the RCSA is in favour of extended bar opening hours, or continued extended bar opening hours, particularly on Fridays.

Matriculation photographs in the JCR

Passed: October 16th 2005

Renewed: January 27th 2008, November 28th 2010, November 23rd 2013, November 20th 2016

- That the RCSA is in favour of matriculation photographs being displayed in the JCR.

Fairtrade

Passed: February 24th 2008

Renewed: November 28th 2010, November 23rd 2013, November 20th 2016

- That the RCSA works to maintain the college's official 'Fairtrade status.
- That the RCSA is committed to serving Fairtrade products at events it hosts wherever possible.
- That the RCSA will encourage college authorities to include Fairtrade products in food prepared on site.
- That the RCSA will encourage college authorities to sell more Fairtrade supplies within college, but with no intention of removing all other options.
- That the RCSA supports the campaign to achieve Fairtrade Status for Cambridge University.

Fourth Year Returnee's Rent

Passed: May 4th 2008

Renewed: November 28th 2010, November 23rd 2013, November 20th 2016

- That the RCSA believes that fourth year returnees should not have to pay increased rent.

Staircase Hobs

Passed: November 28th 2010

Renewed: November 23rd 2013, November 20th 2016

- That the RCSA is emphatically opposed to any action to take away the hobs in our kitchens in college.

Standing Desks

Passed: October 9th 2016

- The RCSA is in favour of the provision of two standing desks in the college library.

Teaching Excellence Framework

Passed: November 20th 2016

- The RCSA believes that the TEF will deal a devastating blow to the access and outreach efforts of the University.
- The RCSA is in favour of the University of Cambridge abstaining from the TEF.

2015

Third and Fourth Year Hall

Passed: January 28th 2007

Renewed: November 28th 2009, November 25th 2012, November 22nd 2015

- That the Catering & Amenities Officer should be responsible for the organising of a 'Third and Fourth Year Hall' in Lent term, similar in format to 'Half Way Hall'.
- That tickets for this Hall should be available to all current third and fourth years.

Trunk Room

Passed: November 25th 2007

Renewed: November 28th 2009, November 25th 2012, November 22nd 2015

- That the Catering & Amenities Officer and the Oversees Officer should audit the trunk room annually to dispose of items marked for over a year and that continued re-audits should occur.

2014

RCSA Reserves

Passed: October 16th 2005

Renewed: January 27th 2008, November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That RCSA reserves can be used for the continuing development and improvement of the RCSA.

Constitution & Open Meetings

Passed: February 12th 2006

Renewed: November 26th 2008, November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That all members of the RCSA Committee should have a working knowledge of the RCSA constitution
- That attendance at Open meetings is important.

RCSA Song

Passed: November 26th 2006

Renewed: November 26th 2008, November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That an adapted version of Simon & Garfunkel's "Mrs. Robinson" is the official song of the RCSA.
- That the RCSA is in favour of this becoming the official college song.

Wifi

Passed: November 26th 2006

Renewed: November 26th 2008, November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That students should have access to an effective wireless internet service
- That where needed the RCSA supports the improvement of this service, particularly to the same standard as conference facilities.

CCTV Data Storage

Passed: November 9th 2008

Renewed: November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That the RCSA believes that the College should store CCTV data for a maximum of 14 days.

Open Meeting Budgets

Passed: November 9th 2008

Renewed: November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That the Open Meeting budget will be divided equally between the eight ordinary Open Meetings specified in the constitution.
- That any money unspent from the Open Meeting budget at a particular Open Meeting shall be made available to the next Open Meeting (with the exception that funds from the Budget meeting cannot rollover).
- That no single motion may request financial assistance in excess of 12.5% of the Open Meeting budget without also complying with the conditions specified in article 11 (f) of the constitution.

Cafe Opening Hours

Passed: November 29th 2008

Renewed: November 27th 2011, November 30th 2014

- That the RCSA supports the opening of the Red Brick Cafe on Saturdays.