

# SAVE OUR SPACE POLICY

Title:	Save Our Space	Date of Student Council:	07/02/17
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## Union Notes:

The Bryant building in Cambridge closed for redevelopment in the Cambridge Campus in the Summer 2015. As part of this closure areas of student space were affected including the Dance Studio.

The Dance Studio was used by students all day, all week during term time. New Clubs and Societies have increased the demand for recreational space.

With the restriction of current spaces on/near campus (Kelsey Kerridge/Sawyers/Mildmay), new recreational clubs will struggle to find a space on campus, if at all.

Work is being done to address the issue of a lack of social space, but the issue of a lack of activity space is still a big issue.

## Union Believes:

Students have a right to space on campus for socialising, recreational and extra-curricular use.

Closure of student spaces can have a detrimental effect on the student experience as there is lesser chance of students engaging with activities or having appropriate space to study.

With the growth of active clubs and societies, the union and university have the responsibility to be able to provide them with the spaces they need to exist.

## Union Resolves:

To lobby the institution for new multipurpose recreational spaces on campus and to prioritise student-led activities.

To lobby the university to actively seek spaces (on or off campus) for clubs/societies to undertake activities to fulfill their aims and objectives.

To lobby the institution to guarantee that any space that becomes available will be discussed with the Students' Union as to what its purpose will be.

To gather and use student feedback when making decisions on the use of new space.