

1802 No to Paper Library Receipts

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This Union Notes:

1. That for several years students have been able to access their library account online and check the return dates for their books through the libraries website.
2. That student access to the library online system is robust and very rarely down
3. That 44 students have signed a petition in support of lobbying the university to stop issuing library receipts, and anecdotally students have raised the fact that they do not require or read the paper receipts they are issued.⁴
4. That our existing policy 795, 'Environmental Policy' for the Union of UEA Students' states that the union is committed to "reducing the consumption of primary raw materials and seeks to enhance the contribution of energy efficiency measures, recyclable components and renewables".⁵

This Union Believes:

1. That any reduction in the amount of paper used is positive for the environment, and that the Union should be committed to eliminating unnecessary.
2. That library receipts in an electronic form are adequate for students to look up the return date for their books.

This Union Resolves:

1. To campaign and lobby the university to abolish the use of paper library receipts and replace with a purely online system of receipts or advertise the current online system available for checking return dates.

(All amendments or comments to S.Jones11@uea.ac.uk)

4 Currently Available at: <http://www.ueastudent.com/thestudentvoice/library-receipts-for-taking-out-orbringing-back-books-to-go>

5 Policy Available at: <http://s3-eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/nusdigital/document/documents/12421/e6365dfe1f323111e50569a5ea704073/795%20Envir%20omnmetal%20Policy%20fAmended.pdf>