

## **1880 Reclaim the Night in Norwich**

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### **Union notes**

- 1) Women and liberation groups face danger of harassment and violence on nights out based on their appearance
- 2) Whilst Norwich is one of the safest cities in the UK, Prince of Wales Road has been rated as one of the most dangerous streets in the country
- 3) The Union has received training from HollaBack! To provide a 'Good Night Out' venue status against sexual harassment in its venues
- 4) The Union has established its own anti-sexual harassment campaign, Never OK
- 5) 90% of British women report experiencing their first harassing before turning 17 year old <sup>i</sup>
- 6) One in three UK female students experience sexual assault or abuse on campus

### **Union believes**

- 1) The Union holds a responsibility to its students even when they're off campus
- 2) Every student deserves the right to a fun, safe and harassment free night out
- 3) We live in a victim-blaming culture that needs to be addressed and challenged
- 4) No individual is responsible for being harassed, the responsibility lies on the person who is harassing

### **Union resolves**

- 1) To facilitate and support in the organising of annual Reclaim the Night events, that focus on intersectionality and student empowerment on nights out
- 2) To mandate the Welfare, Community, and Diversity Officer and the Campaigns and Democracy officer to organise an annual Reclaim the Night event
- 3) To continue to campaign for a safer city for students, by working with night time venues to focus on student safety instead of squeezing student money out of them

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<sup>i</sup> <http://www.ihollaback.org/cornell-international-survey-on-street-harassment/>