

Amendment to policy 1816: SWP off our campus

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Content Warning: Rape and Sexual Assault

Summary: Since the original policy was passed there have been developments within the Socialist Workers Party and their front groups that need to be addressed.

Union Notes:

1. Since the policy was passed in 2015 the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) have developed numerous front groups such as Stand Up to Racism (SUTR)⁷, Love Music Hate Racism (LMHR)⁸ and Unite Against Fascism (UAF)⁹.

Union Believes:

1. We owe it to our members to ensure that our acts of public activism are safe spaces for them to attend;

2. That in order to ensure this take place we must continue to ban organisations such as those listed above from our campus and public events;

3. These groups have been created in order to cover up the actions surrounding the Comrade Delta case and the continued acts of rape apologism within the party and these groups¹⁰;

4. UEASU has previously supporting the banning of the SWP from our campus and public meetings, as an interpretation of the original policy.

Union Resolves

1. To Delete and Replace Resolves 1 with as the following resolve:

To mandate the Student Officer Committee to write a letter of condemnation to the Central Committee of the SWP, Stand Up to Racism, Love Music Hate Racism and Unite Against Racism and the Norwich Branches of the SWP, SUTR, LMHR and UAF, expressing in strongest terms our dismay with how the above allegations were handled, and to demand that the organisation disassociate itself from the individuals involved. The letter will also ensure that these groups named are explicitly told that they are not welcome to attend events held on campus run by UEASU and its members.

2. To insert the following resolve and number accordingly:
Ensure that we educate our members on these groups and why they are banned from campus to help them organise without their presence, to ensure that our internal and public events are safe spaces for all of those involved.