

Women's+ Network Terms of Reference

1. GENERAL

- 1.1. These terms of reference are with regards to Lancaster University Students' Union (LUSU) Women's+ Network, a subcommittee of the Union Assembly as defined in the Union Assembly Bye Laws.
- 1.2. Amendments to this Terms of Reference shall be ratified by the Women's+ Network.
- 1.3. Significant amendments to the terms of reference that alter the fundamental purpose or powers of Women's+ Network will also be ratified by the Union Assembly.

2. PURPOSE

- 2.1. The Women's+ Network shall:
 - 2.1.1. Agree actions and delivers campaigns on behalf of women+ students.
 - 2.1.2. Act as the collective representative body for women+ students.
 - 2.1.3. Elect the Women's+ Officer
 - 2.1.4. Hold the Women's+ Officer to account.

3. MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1. Membership of the Women's+ Network shall be:
 - 3.1.1. LUSU Women's+ Officer, who shall act as Chair.
 - 3.1.2. Members of societies executive committees, JCRs, and any other student leaders with a specific remit encompassing the experience of all women+ students.
 - 3.1.3. All self-defining women+ members of the Students' Union.

4. POWERS OF THE NETWORK

- 4.1. Direct the work of the Women's+ Officer and hold them to account.

5. MEETINGS

- 5.1. The Network shall meet at least 3 times per year on-campus.

6. ELECTION OF WOMEN'S+ OFFICER

- 6.1. The LUSU Women's+ Officer shall be elected in accordance with the Democracy & Elections Byelaw and will be overseen by the Union.
 - 6.1.1. Only eligible members of the Women's+ Network may nominate themselves or vote.
 - 6.1.2. Nominations shall remain open for at least one week via the Students' Union website.
 - 6.1.3. All candidates shall have the opportunity to speak to, and received questions from, the Women's+ Network.
 - 6.1.4. Voting shall be via a preferential ballot and shall remain open for at least 2 days.

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