# ASTON STUDENTS' UNION

## **MOTION**

## **Union Council Motion**

## Motion Title: Support for Sexual Harassment Survivors

Proposed by: Paige Dawson (ASU VPW)
Already put in practice, no need for approval

Motion Passes into Policy on: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 Policy due to lapse by: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025

### **Union Council Notes**

- 1. The Union recently created a sexual harassment policy which is available to access on the union website under the ARC landing page.
- 2. The Union has recently trained their staff via local charity RSVP to be better supporters of those experiencing/who have experienced sexual harassment.
- 3. The Union is undergoing a governance review which will address the code of conducts no tolerance policy on sexual harassment.

### **Union Council Believes**

- 1. We have a no tolerance policy on sexual harassment or harassment of any kind in our union.
- 2. Students have the right to access appropriate care after experiencing harassment.
- 3. The union should have a clear action pathway for students who have experienced sexual harassment.

#### **Union Council Resolves**

- 1. To have a 'you only have to tell it once' policy when it comes to sexual harassment.
- 2. To empower the survivor to make the decisions that are best for them.
- 3. To fund the immediate aftercare counselling sessions via RSVP for sexual harassment cases that happen during their time at our union.