Annual Student Meeting (Additional Meeting July 2024)

Motion 6: Should the Students' Union lobby the university to create a platform where students & staff are able to raise issues regarding security staff on campus anonymously?

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What do you want?

The SU to lobby the university to create a platform where students & staff are able to raise issues regarding security staff on campus anonymously.

Why do you want it?

Following the establishment of the QMUL Encampment for Palestine, the University has set up an overwhelming number of security checkpoints across Mile End Campus.

However, security have often been unprofessional and impolite towards staff and students upon entry/exit. At times, there have been instances where security have made inappropriate comments towards students. Additionally, students have also commented about feeling racially discriminated and/or profiled when being questioned by security members.

The SU should lobby the university to create an anonymous platform where students & staff can raise complaints regarding security and the behaviour they display. The platform should allow staff & students to provide the date, time and location of the interaction and the reason for the report. This will help identify security members on rota, and whether they are internal security staff or externally hired security staff members.

What impact will this have?

Currently, there is no clear way of reporting security staff and any incidents to do with security staff. It is therefore important that every member of staff & student should feel safe and comfortable on campus. This platform will allow reporting of any problems related to security staff anonymously, without feeling anxious or fearful of any backlash.

