

University of Bristol Students' Union Pop Music Society

1. NAME

- a. The name of the Society shall be the Bristol SU (University of Bristol Students' Union) Pop Music Society (BPM Soc)
- b. The Society shall be affiliated to the University of Bristol Students' Union.

2. AIMS

Creating a safe space for all members to share their love for pop music from different artists, including but not limited to Taylor Swift, and build a community to go to pop music events together, such as Swiftoggedon and concert films.

Creating a community based on our shared love of different pop artists' music, including but not limited to Taylor Swift, and to theorise future music that they will release.

Assisting students in finding friends with common interests.

Reducing isolation, nights out can be daunting to students, having music they know and enjoy will reduce this.

Essentially, we aim to create a wholesome community centred around our love of Taylor Swift's music.

Holding a variety of events such as:

Alcoholic

- Clubs nights where Taylor's music will play
- Pub Quizzes on music and general Taylor Swift knowledge

Non- Alcoholic

- Listening parties for new albums, with Taylors favourite food and drinks
- Board game nights for members to bond and form friendships.
- Book club, where we meet once a month to read one of Taylor's favourite books
- Cupcake decorating based around an album

The Society shall abide by the Union's Code of Conduct, and any other policies laid down by the Union's Board of Trustees.

3. MEMBERSHIP

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- a. Full membership is open to all full members of the Union by application to the Society.
- b. The Secretary shall keep a list of all members. The Secretary shall inform the Student Services Team of the membership of the Society each year.
- c. There shall be a subscription fee levied for membership, which shall be fixed at the discretion of the Committee being no less than the minimum rate demanded by the Societies' Union.

4. PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP

- a. Only members may sit on the Committee.
- b. All categories of membership shall have equal rights of attending meetings etc.
- c. Only full members will be able to vote in committee elections and attend the AGM.

5. COMMITTEE

- a. There shall be a Society Committee which shall be the executive decision-making body of the Society.
- b. The President, Secretary, Treasurer and Equality officer of the Committee shall be a full member of the Union.
- c. The Committee shall be responsible for the general and financial policy of the Society, subject to such rules as laid out in the Union's Constitution and Byelaws, and any rulings made by the Union.
- d. Quoracy for Committee meetings shall be set at 50% of the post filled positions plus one.
- e. All Committee meetings must be minute by the Secretary (or other Committee member if they are unavailable) and the minutes circulated to the Committee before the next committee meeting.
- f. The Committee is comprised of:

President

Running the wider picture of the society, planning, and managing the events, and instructing the other members on their roles within the society.

Social Media Officer

Running the Instagram page as well as any other social media we choose to have for the society, promoting the events, encouraging new members, and managing our social media image.

Equality Officer & Wellbeing Champion

Ensuring the society follows the equality guidelines, ensuring women, queer people, and other minority groups feel safe and included.

Treasurer

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Managing the finances of the society.

Secretary

Helping the president manage the society, organising events and booking places.

Events Manager

Planning and booking events that will involve alcohol, this includes club nights and pub quizzes.

Events Manager 2

Planning and booking events that will not include alcohol such as listening parties, cupcake decorating (as we did last year). This is to ensure inclusivity and ensure that our society caters to all

6. FINANCIAL

- a. The Treasurer of the Society shall be a full member of the Union and not in their final year at the University. However, if given approval by the Union, a final year student may take the position.
- b. All financial arrangements must be made in accordance with current instructions to Society Treasurers, as set down by the Union.
- c. The Bristol SU Union Affairs Officer, Sport and Student Development Officer and Director of Finance and Administration shall jointly be empowered to issue financial instructions on behalf of the Society if:
 - (i) the affiliated student group ceases to be affiliated
 - (ii) there are concerns that the funds are being managed in breach of the provision set out in the Byelaws
 - (iii) the group ceases to exist or there are breaches of any minimum standard set out in Union policy

7. GENERAL MEETINGS

- a. There shall be an Annual General Meeting once per annum, and this shall be during Teaching Block 2.
- b. Notice of such meetings must be sent to the Society's membership via email with at least 14 days' notice. An agenda must be sent out with at least 7 days' notice.
- c. Quorum of such meetings shall be set at twice the Committee size plus one.
- d. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by either the Committee or 5% of the membership of the Society by application to the Committee. An EGM shall be called as specified on the application, but at least 7 days' notice shall be given.

8. ELECTIONS

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Elections shall be held at the Annual General Meeting to elect officers of the Committee for the following annual session. Officers can only be removed from their posts by an EGM or AGM. Nominations must be received 7 days in advance.

- a. If Committee positions are left unfilled after the AGM, then the Committee shall have the power to co-opt Society members onto the Committee to fill the vacant posts. However, co-opted Committee members are not regarded as full Committee members and can be removed by the Committee at any time.
- b. Voting shall be by single transferrable vote and shall be conducted by a show of hands if the position is uncontested, having asked the candidate to leave the AGM room. If the position is contested, then ballot papers shall be issued to those voting and a count taken of the ballot papers by a Committee member. In the event of a tie, the outgoing President shall have the deciding vote.

9. AFFILIATIONS

- a. The Society shall affiliate to external bodies only where membership of those bodies is essential to the fulfilment of the core aims, and only with the prior agreement of the Union.

10. CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

- a. Any amendment to this constitution shall require a two-thirds majority of the members present at a properly constituted General Meeting.
- b. All such amendments shall become valid only after approval by the Union

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