**Proportionate Spending in Affiliated Student Groups’ Sub-Groups**

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**Background**

1. Currently, there are no Bristol SU byelaws relating to Affiliated Student Groups’ Financial responsibilities regarding Sub-Groups within an Affiliated Group.

2. Since Student Groups with multiple Sub-Groups with respective required membership fees often only have one main account that all fees go into, it is very easy to spend that money disproportionately with respect to the Sub-Groups which sourced the money.

3. The effect of this is that members of certain Sub-Groups either “benefit” from more money than they have paid membership fees for or less.

4. This becomes an issue if the disproportionate re-allocation is unintentional, or is done intentionally but without the permission of the members.

5. For example, a committee may attempt to subsidise a more expensive Sub-Group by making a less expensive Sub-Group more expensive than necessary, and using the extra money for the first Sub-Group without telling the members.

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this motion is to attempt to stop the aforementioned effect which I believe is contributing to a reduced welfare of students in applicable Student Groups

**Actions:**

1. That Bristol SU clarifies its stance that the above situation should be avoided.

2. Some policy changes, such as to Bylaw 9 which relates to Student Groups, so that the Bristol SU can actively monitor and moderate applicable Student Groups to prevent major transgressions in this area.

3. Increased guidance in this area given to applicable Student Groups during their training