

## **Draft Terms of Reference**

### **Chaplaincy User Forum**

#### **Notes to the terms of reference**

1. These initial terms of reference have been designed after the review of the Chaplaincy in 2013 and by consultation with the CAG and SU, noting that there has been a significant gap now in meetings of the CAG.
2. A User Forum was always intended to be student-led. It was anticipated that an SU officer would chair for the first meeting(s) until a student chair is agreed.
3. It is anticipated that the User Forum will meet termly, scheduling its meetings around key dates in the student calendar. Strategic items from the prior User Forum would be brought forward to the Chaplaincy Advisory Group (CAG) for consideration.
4. The User Forum's initial membership has been defined around established faith societies in the first instance, but with a remit to consider how to engage other faith communities that may be smaller and less structured. Other representatives could be added or co-opted over time, though it is suggested that any proposed changes to the terms of reference and membership are also considered by the CAG.

## Terms of Reference

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### User Forum

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To give a voice to all student faith communities and to provide feedback to the Chaplains on the student experience of practising faith at Warwick

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To encourage interaction and understanding among different faith groups and to highlight events and activities relating to faith

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To consider how to engage with faith groups not represented through an existing religion and belief society

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To consider operational issues involved in the use of the Chaplaincy and multi-faith prayer rooms

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To consider issues arising in the relationship between the Chaplaincy, the student societies, the Students' Union and the University and between the current users of the Chaplaincy and non-users

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To identify and comment on issues of strategic significance in conjunction with the Chaplaincy Advisory Group

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## Membership

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### User Forum

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A representative of each of the established student religion and belief societies, with provision for a representative from both the outgoing and incoming executives for one meeting per year\*

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The Students' Union Postgraduate Officer, the Societies Officer and the Welfare and Campaigns Officer

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The Chaplains and faith advisors

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Other groups and faith communities may be invited to join on a formal or co-opted basis in line with the Terms of Reference

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\* In some societies there may be dual representation e.g. a male president and a female president

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