**Child Friendly**

**POLICY RESPONSIBILITY:** President  
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The Students’ Union notes that student parents make a valuable contribution to our student community and diversity, that higher education should be accessible at any stage of life and that the inclusion of student parents is important to widening participation.

**This Students’ Union believes:**
1. Where possible and appropriate, services, activities and facilities should be child-friendly.  
2. No student should be discriminated against because they have children or are pregnant.

**This Students’ Union resolves:**
1. To lobby the University to be more accessible for student parents and work with the University to develop a student parent policy.  
2. To use the Student Parent Charter (reviewed annually by the Student Officer team in consultation with those with student parents and those with caring responsibilities) as a guiding document for our own practice and to lobby the University to improve its accessibility and support for student parents.

**POLICY HISTORY:**

This policy was passed by Students’ Union Council on 16 December 2010 and amended in February 2013. It was renewed for three years in October 2013 and again in December 2016.

**This policy is next due for review in November 2019.**