

POLICY DOCUMENT

COMMITTEE: Union Council

SUBJECT: Attendance Monitoring

PROPOSAL DATE: 07/11/2017

PROPOSER: Davey Silver

SHEFFIELD HALLAM STUDENTS UNION NOTES:

1. Sheffield Hallam University has recently implemented a new attendance monitoring policy across all levels of study.
2. The Union has been reassured that currently any findings of this monitoring will not lead to individual students facing disciplinary action.
3. Certain professional courses and placements already monitor attendance; however this is the first time the scheme has been rolled out across the board.

SHEFFIELD HALLAM STUDENTS UNION BELIEVES:

1. This is a controversial topic among the student body with many feeling it is unnecessary and shows a lack of trust from the University.
2. Attendance Monitoring should not be used to retrospectively punish students who miss their studies.
3. Monitoring should be used to offer support to students who may not be engaging with their studies due to either academic or wellbeing issues.

SHEFFIELD HALLAM STUDENTS UNION RESOLVES:

1. To mandate both the Education Officer and Welfare & Community Officer to take forward any student concerns on this issue to the University.
2. That Full Time Officers should strongly oppose any future proposals from the University to incorporate attendance into disciplinary matters. (Except on professional courses and placements.)