OPEN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Central Executive Committee (C E C)
13 – 15 November 2015

CONFERENCE 2016

The C E C is asked to:-

i) receive a progress report on arrangements to date

ii) elect two representatives from the C E C to sit on the Conference Steering Committee

1. The date for Conference 2016 has now been confirmed for 17 – 19 June 2016 on the OU Campus in Milton Keynes.

2. Venues across campus have been booked, including the Hub Theatre, café and adjoining rooms, the Berrill Theatre, café and foyer area, the Jennie Lee Building atrium and meeting room, the Central Meeting Rooms and other spaces previously used.

3. Other parties who have been advised of the dates are: Catering, Audio Visual, Porters, the Stage Set and carpet companies.

4. 315 rooms have been reserved at Kents Hill Training & Conference Centre and 90 rooms have been reserved at the Hilton Milton Keynes.

5. We are currently making arrangements to form the Conference Steering Committee, with the hope that discussions will begin in early January. The Committee is chaired by Vice President Administration and includes the President, the General Manager, two members of the C E C, five students not on the C E C, and other OU Students Association staff as appropriate.

6. This meeting is asked to elect the two Central Executive Committee representatives from the names recently put forward in the C E C forum.

7. Publicity for the five additional student places has begun, and the Vice President Administration and President will be selecting the most suitable candidates.
8. It is intended that the list for students to register their interest in attending Conference will begin when the next issue of OU Students Magazine is sent to all students in December.

9. Key speakers will be contacted shortly, and University departments will be invited to offer their contributions in the New Year.

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