

Executive Report

1st February 2013

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Summary

Loads of progress with mental health initiatives on campus! Really exciting stuff!!

Actions from Last Report

Important Areas of Work

- Had my first meeting with Nigel Thomas (Head of Student Services, Loughborough
- Met with Evo to discuss Valentines Day Stupid Tuesday – we're hoping to have 'Bill' created in to a cherub for the poster with the message of being Single and Safe – we decided that the majority of people out that night will be single otherwise they may be at home/on a date. Looking for volunteers that are happy to hand out condoms on the night please!
- Discussed with Evo about redoing the 'Don't take off without your wingman' Stupid Tuesday event, it was an NUS backed drinkaware campaign last year, it was really successful and it's a great message to share about looking out for your friends on a night out; being safe sexually and preventing alcohol abuse. I have contacted the NUS VP Welfare and NUS Welfare campaigns officer to try and hunt down some old promotional material. Also discussed a few summer Better Decisions themed nights.
- Met with Nigel Thomas, Jessica Draper and Dan Doran with PC to discuss Mental Health and Wellbeing day on the 22nd February. Done some work on this to make it happen – there will be stand and some volunteers handing out some stuff in Piazza on the day. The University are keen to provide a prize for halls (I recommended a RAG prize).
- Met with Jessica Draper and Clare Pinchess to discuss the HeadsUp group that we are launching in partnership with the University. An email about the group has been sent out to around 1000 students, with around 20 responses in 24 hours – fantastic! The Open Forum is being held on Thursday 9th February 2011 in the council chambers from 1-2pm. Anyone can attend, with free refreshments. Postcards are being made up to advertise the group on the Mental Health Day, we should have a full committee within a couple of weeks (there has already been interest). There is a Facebook group with over 40 members in 3 days. They are sharing £1500 worth of funding from the LUDT with me on this project.

Other Areas of Work

- 3 Biggest exams out the way last week... now, Revision Revision, 2 exams to go! (Friday and Monday)
- As always, being kept busy by emails!
- Put all my reports up online in PDF format.