



# John Snow College Junior Common Room

## Information Distribution and Platforms Policy

John Snow JCR seeks to communicate effectively with the student body, and to re-distribute external communications (those not originated in the JCR) which are to be of interest to the student body.

### **Concerning John Snow JCR Communications**

John Snow JCR is fully entitled to advertise and inform the college and student body of its own events, products and services.

### **Concerning Durham University (including John Snow College)**

John Snow JCR is fully entitled to redistribute any and all material of origination within Durham University.

John Snow JCR seeks only to do so when this material is relevant and of interest to the student body.

John Snow JCR reserves the right not to re-distribute any material presented from within Durham University. Reasons for this may include; material not of interest to students, materials already well publicised, material relating to a product or event in direct competition with one of John Snow JCR, an event located and targeted primarily at those in Durham City.

Such discretionary decisions may be made by the JCR committee or a representative thereof.

### **Concerning External Materials**

John Snow JCR will not re-distribute material from parties outside of Durham University without explicit contract or agreement to do so.

Contract agreement will normally involve some sort of sponsorship or sponsorship in kind and will be checked by Durham University legal support.

Exception to the above may be made for charities, not for profit organisations or government organisations such as the Electoral Commission or Stockton Borough Council. Such decisions are made at the discretion of the JCR committee.

### **Political Platforms and no Platforms Policy**

John Snow JCR will strive at all times for political neutrality, where possible by minimal involvement in party politics.

John Snow JCR endorses NUS 'no platforms policy'. Individuals and organisations listed by NUS will not be given platform within John Snow JCR and John Snow JCR supervised events.

John Snow JCR reserves the right to deny an individual or organisation platform even if not listed by NUS, on request from JCR members. Such individuals or organisations will typically have a record or history of offensive or abusive remarks or opinions.

John Snow JCR does not tolerate hate speech, racism, homophobia or misogyny. The aforementioned are not permitted platform within John Snow JCR or JCR activities.