



# Students' Union and University Partnership Alcohol Impact High-Level Statement

## Mission

To ensure Canterbury Christ Church University and Christ Church Students' Union lead by example, promoting an environment of responsible socialising involving alcohol.

## Aim

The University and the Union are committed to safeguarding the health, safety and welfare of our students and accept our responsibility to promote positive physical and mental health by raising awareness of the risks of alcohol misuse. The University and the Union respect the privacy of our students but must, however, be concerned where a student's behaviour impairs their conduct, wellbeing, safety or academic performance and/or adversely affects other students, staff, campus life or the wider community.

The University and Union have a duty of care for students, staff, and visitors and aims to provide a safe, healthy, and high quality study and work environment. This includes addressing the risks posed by alcohol misuse, informing students of their responsibilities and codes of conduct and providing information, advice, guidance and support on request.

All students have a legal responsibility to take reasonable care of their own safety and that of others.

## Key Commitments

- The overarching premise is one of support and education, focusing on boundaries of acceptable and responsible behaviour.
- To maintain a [Responsible Retailing of Alcohol policy](#), [Zero Tolerance and Safe Space Policy](#) and [Welcome Events Policy](#) - these are part of the Students' Union's approach to promoting a safe and supportive environment in which to study and work.
- The University and the Union will continuously proactively engage with key representatives from sports and societies about responsible alcohol consumption.
- The University and the Union will endeavour to enable students to make informed decisions relating to alcohol use, and information on current guidance will be available through Student Services and the Union.
- To ensure that support, advice and information is provided to any student who is experiencing problems with alcohol.
- In the University licensed venue, we will ensure that non-alcoholic drinks are available at the same, or lower, price than equivalent alcoholic drinks, including promotions.
- The University and the Union will explore the extent to which alcohol can be a barrier to student participation.

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