Aber Student Media relationship agreement

the Assembly notes:

1. The development of Aberystwyth Student Media as an organisation.
2. The informal nature of the relationship between Aberystwyth Student Media and Aberystwyth University Students' Union.

the Assembly believes:

1. That it is in the interests of both the Union and Aberystwyth Student Media that the relationship be placed on a more formal footing.

the Assembly resolves:

1. To endorse continued steps by both organisations to agree a full operational agreement to cover day-to-day operations by both.
2. That the attached Relationship Agreement between Aberystwyth Student Media and the Students' Union be approved by the Assembly.

Relationship agreement

1. ASM shall respect the legal roles and responsibilities held by the Chief Executive and President of the Union, and therefore shall show *The Courier* to the Chief Executive and President before publication of printed material.
2. Staff and officers of the Union recognise that comment or criticism of ASM carries more weight that it would if coming from a member of the public or another student at the University. Therefore, staff and officers undertake to follow the formal complaints procedures (as outlined in the regulations of the ASM Society) where they have objections to content that has been broadcast/published.
3. The Union fully recognise and respect the disclaimer printed in *The Courier*, asserting that opinions held by contributors do not necessarily represent those of the ASM committee.
4. The Union recognises the value and importance of a free and independent press, and commit to the principle of allowing student media organisations such space on their premises as is reasonably practicable.
5. The Union recognises that it cannot expect ASM to produce articles based on news occurring at the Union entirely of its own volition, and therefore commits to providing press releases on events and news that occurs.
6. The Union recognises and respects the independence of ASM as a Society voluntarily affiliated to the Students' Union, and not part of the Union, and therefore the ultimate editorial independence of ASM, and the officers of ASM.
7. The Union and ASM acknowledge that ASM journalists are obliged to follow the National Union of Journalists Code of Conduct, and that the Editor is obliged to follow the Press Complaints Commission Code of Practice for Editors.

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