

YOU SAID, WE DID

Board of Governors Student Interest Update

Following the first dedicated Board of Governors meeting on student matters — May 2026

Your feedback doesn't stop at your Rep or the monthly panel. The biggest issues — the ones that affect the whole college — now go all the way to the Board of Governors, who held their first dedicated Student Interest meeting in May. Here's what came out of it.

01 Hardship Fund

BUDGET AGREED

You told us money worries shouldn't get in the way of finishing your course. The Board has agreed the budget for a new Hardship Fund, and the final policy is going through approval now. We'll confirm how to apply as soon as it's signed off.

02 A New Student Council

AGREED IN PRINCIPLE

You told us you wanted a stronger, more representative voice. The Board has agreed in principle to move from the current Student Union/Guild model to a new Student Council framework — designed to give more students, across more campuses, a real seat at the table.

03 Careers Support

IN PROGRESS

You told us careers sessions needed to be more consistent and better organised. A proper service standard and activity calendar for the Careers Desk is being finalised, so sessions are planned, advertised, and tracked properly going forward.

04 Wellbeing Leads on Every Campus

BEING APPOINTED

You told us you wanted a clear go-to person for wellbeing support. HR is now formally appointing dedicated Wellbeing Leads across all campuses.

05 Understanding Our Student Community

ONGOING

You told us support should reflect who's actually studying here. The Board is pushing for fuller, more complete student data, so that support and inclusion work is built around the real make-up of our student community.

06 Support for Top-Up Students

UNDER REVIEW

You told us the Top-Up pathway needed closer attention. The Board has asked for a clear improvement plan to strengthen support and outcomes for students on this route, and is keeping it under direct review.

What happens next

These items came from things raised by you, through your Class Reps, at the monthly Student Voice Committee and the Student Interest Panel. The Board's review confirms they've been heard at the highest level of the college — and we'll keep posting "You Said, We Did" updates after every meeting so you can see them move forward.

WANT TO RAISE SOMETHING?

Talk to your Class Rep, or bring it to the next Student Voice Committee meeting. *Every item starts the same way — with someone telling us.*