

1816 SWP off our campus passed 3 December 2015

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The Union notes:

1. The Socialist Workers' Party (SWP) have had numerous allegations raised that they have a systematic problem of rape, rape cover-up, and rape apologism in their party.
2. The SWP frequently sell their newspaper on campus, both in the square and outside some political events on campus, for example the Norfolk and Suffolk Mental Health Services Campaign held in LT1 recently.
3. The NUS and our union is conducting multiple campaigns around the prevention and safety of sexual assault survivors, such as Never Ok and Stand By Me.

The Students' Union Believes

1. The Union should take a stand against organisations that make survivors feel unsafe on campus
2. The 'Socialist Worker', the official newspaper of the SWP, should not be sold on campus, as its content is highly troubling and upsetting.

The Students' Union Resolves

1. To mandate the Student Officer Committee to write a letter of condemnation to the Central Committee of the SWP and the Norwich SWP branch, expressing in strongest terms our dismay with how the above allegations were handled, and to demand that the organisation disassociate itself from the individuals involved.
 2. To ensure that all publicity distributed by external organisations at union-supported events is in line with our beliefs and values, and to ensure that those distributing materials are not doing so in a manner that is alarming/distressing to students.
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