Policy Proposal Risk Assessment Form

Title: Liaise with Here East for more efficient use of shuttle bus resources.

Policy Zone to be discussed at: Welfare & Community Zone

1. Outline your idea for discussion

While Marshgate and One Pool Street currently suffer from a lack of transportation options, students and staff based in UCL at Here East enjoy an electric shuttle bus service to/from Stratford and Stratford International stations.

I propose that Students' Union UCL may consider lobbying UCL to negotiate a deal with Here East to fund the amendment of the (currently underused) shuttle bus route to better serve UCL East students and residents, and enhance the relationship between the two main campuses.

An extension of the shuttle bus route at the Stratford end towards the roundabout on Montfichet Road outside the cycle store of One Pool Street will provide a direct, step-free, link to/from Stratford Station for onward connections, and Stratford International Station for the 7-minute rail link to Bloomsbury. As it is entirely self-catered, One Pool Street residents may also find this service helpful to connect them with a choice of supermarkets and grocery stores near the station and Westfield shopping mall. This will not delay the commutes of most regular Here East shuttle users.

This policy would be more environmentally friendly than any new shuttle bus route, as it reuses existing resources, with mostly electric vehicles. Other London universities and colleges currently offering shuttle bus services to students include: Imperial College London, University of Greenwich, Royal Holloway College, University of Roehampton, University of West London, University of East London. Notably, Loughborough University London, Teesside University London, and Staffordshire University London students and staff use the Here East services too. The shuttle bus service operated by University of East London, also in Stratford, is 0.6 times the distance between Stratford Station and One Pool Street.

Note that this policy will likely involve a lengthy period of approval from the London Borough of Newham.