

Felix Editor's Report
For Imperial College Union Council Meeting, 23 October 2006
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Felix's Production

Since the last Council meeting, we have published two issues, 1359 and 1360. Both were large issues (32 pages) and disappeared quite rapidly from the distribution bins around College, which I presume means people are reading it.

Felix's distribution

The changes made have required an earlier distribution time – they are now being distributed before midday, with copies being sent to the post room at 9.30am in order to reach Silwood, Wye, and the medic campuses on the same day. More copies are being sent to these campuses, acting on feedback from Shiv and Jayinder.

Felix's continuing printing issues

The issues are somewhat patchy, with some being entirely free of plate misalignment, and some being riddled with it. I've consulted our printers, Northcliffe, about this, but I suspect it will require an increase in printing cost to correct. As we have a great deal of advertising booked, I will start to make the changes necessary over the coming weeks.

Advertising revenue

I have had to reject one advert on the grounds of decency (it was an advert for straight/gay sex phone lines), costing me almost £4000 in revenue. However, I still have more than £35,000 of advertising booked, with the prospect of more to come.

The state of the Felix Office

Thanks to Eric Lai, the office is being repaired. The walls have been cleaned of the scum from the leak, and we are promised new ceiling tiles and a repair to the wall panel that was removed to get access to the steam pipes. Jamie Davis is monitoring the situation.

Complaints

I have received a complaint from Jayinder and the Wye exec, relating to several factual errors in an article about the injury of a Wye student. I have responded to the complaint, apologising for errors I have made, though I am yet to hear back from the exec. There have been questions raised over my sources by the complaint; however, I cannot reveal where I obtained my information in order to protect my sources. The only other complaint I have received was from Rupert, with regards to my views on his editorship. I will reply in full to this in the next issue of Felix.

The editor's mental state

Poor to middling, with chances of light mania.