## Silwood Park Campus

Silwood Park Campus is located near Ascot and has around 100 students, most of which live on site. All are post-graduate life sciences students, with the majority on one year Masters courses. The campus also hosts a number of undergraduate groups throughout the year, who visit to complete field based elements of their degrees. Silwood became its own constituent union in 2013, giving it the same status as other constituent unions. Due to the comparatively low number of students and the high turnover, Silwood clubs and societies are managed under one account belonging to the Silwood constituent union. There are also a number of additional circumstances that make Silwood different from most other CSPs.

The physical location of Silwood limits access to facilities, other ICU clubs and ICU events. This has a number of consequences. The Silwood Exec has to work with the College to maintain and ensure access to facilities here as Silwood Park. It is also likely that the only interaction that most students have with the ICU will be through Silwood clubs. The local area has extremely limited entertainment opportunities so the majority of social and community activities have to be organised by the Silwood Exec. To compensate for its remote location Silwood has its own minibus. The costs of this must be covered by the Silwood Exec. This facilitates a wide range of activities from cinema trips to taking students to buy food at the nearest supermarket. Public transport is limited in the area and too expensive for many students to pay on a regular basis making the minibus vital for Silwood students.

The number of postgraduate students also contributes to Silwood's unique nature. A large proportion of students are self-funded making income generation difficult. The courses run for a full year so committee positions run from October to September. This combined with the high turnover, means that future activities are largely dependent on the new students who will not arrive till after budget submission. This means that detailed plans are not always available. The Silwood Exec does however aim to consider the legacy of the items and activities it funds, many of which run every year.

## Current transaction pages

The remaining SGI possessed by the Silwood Exec is mainly split between two categories – Silwood Ents and Silfest. The Silwood Ents fund is used for social and cultural activities on campus. Events are often run in conjunction with the Silwood Halls committee. A large SGI is required as many of the events need expenditure to be made in advance. This expenditure is then recouped in ticket sales. A prime example of this is Silfest. This is a music festival run on campus annually. Many items such as the stage require a deposit in advance before the majority of ticket income has been collected. Silfest has its only fund which is used in conjunction with Silwood Ents to run the festival. The festival occurs in July so this year's fund is as yet unspent. It is also important for Silwood to keep some SGI in reserve to ensure it can cover the costs of the minibus.