Proposal: Provision for Halal Food at all City University London’s Food Outlets

Background

1. The City University London has a diverse student body on campus with specific dietary requirements such as a vegan, vegetarian, kosher and halal.

2. The current catering has vast provision for vegetarian food on campus but extremely limited provision for other diets such as kosher or halal meat. For example, there are currently no halal sandwiches, wraps or rolls available to purchase throughout City University London.

3. There is a considerably high proportion of Muslim students at City University London who have halal food requirements.

4. Muslim students who observe specific dietary requirements must walk off campus to find these options, which are very limited in the area.

5. Other UK universities provide campus wide, vast services for halal hot food and savoury.

Principles

1. The City University has a global university and hence should provide sufficient food services accessible to a large body of students, which it doesn’t sufficiently provide for currently.

2. That providing halal food options would benefit the large number of Muslim students in their food accessibility on campus.

3. That there is a greater demand for halal food on campus and therefore it makes utilitarian and commercial sense to readily provide it.

4. The City University London should consider proper certification of halal/kosher meat by relevant competent organisations (such as the UK Halal Monitoring Committee (HMC) should it be introduced.

5. The City University London should provide such provisions where reasonably possible and practical.

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Idea/proposal

1. The Student’s Union will liaise with all the relevant groups to lobby City University London to ensure that all acceptable and practical provisions are being made to provide hot or cold halal food.

2. The Students’ Union will lobby City University London to take practical steps to make halal sandwiches and hot meals available to all of its food outlets.

3. The Students’ Union will Lobby with City University London to consult the UK Halal Monitoring Committee (HMC) before introducing such provisions to ensure the authenticity of any halal food services.