

Seating in the Reynolds Bar
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Background

The Reynolds Bar is currently and has always been the social hub of the Medical School. Events run by ICSMSU and its Clubs and Societies are held there regularly and the success of these this year has contributed to the strong performance against budget for the Bar. The student bar managers have also worked hard to ensure the success of the bar.

Current Figures

Details of the current financial performance of Reynolds Bar will be presented at the meeting of Exec that this paper has been submitted for.

Current Problem:

1. The main seating in the Bar area has fallen into disrepair.
2. The faux leather seating around the central pillars of the bar area has many holes and rips in it.
3. Small holes are presumably caused by general wear and tear as the fabric is probably too thin for its purpose and these holes are then enlarged by people sitting or standing on them.
4. This looks bad as our current attempts to repair the fabric with gaffer tape have not been very effective
5. Drinks have been spilt near these holes and the liquid has gone underneath the fabric which and soaked into the padding material.
6. The damp caused by 5.) has given rise to a nasty smell
7. The silver boarding below the seats has started to crack
8. The above problems are worsening

Options

We have found 3 companies interested in doing the work, one of these has proved too unreliable to use but the other two have quoted us as follows:

Option 1: To re-upholster the seating £5240.00 (Ex. VAT)

Option 2: To replace the seating £7884.00 (Ex. VAT)

Both quotes include thicker material that the contractors have shown not to break in other venues as ours has done.

Decision Required:

For Exec to fund the cost of replacing the seating at £7884.00 (ex VAT).