



# MOTION REGARDING PLATE CLUB REFERENDUM QUESTION 2020-03-12

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## Issue

The Plate Club is the Students' Society of McGill University's (SSMU) free dishware rental service, which allows users to reduce their environmental footprint by eliminating single-use serving containers at meetings and events. The Plate Club also promotes a culture of sustainability on campus. The Plate Club Fee is brought for renewal to the membership in the Winter 2020 referendum period.

## Background and Rationale

The Plate Club is a volunteer-run service, which manages over 800 plates, over 750 glasses and mugs, bowls, platters, utensils and compost bins. The Plate Club has greatly benefited from the Plate Club Fee, adopted on October 11, 2018 by the Legislative Council to proceed to referendum, and is now up for renewal by the membership. The fee renewal will remain \$0.14 opt-outable fee and would continue to generate a sustainable source of income for the Plate Club.

## Alignment with Mission

The Plate Club is run by student volunteers for membership use.



## Consultations Completed

Consultations with the Plate Club General Coordinator and Vice-President (Finance) regarding the fee renewal.

## Risk Factors and Resource Implications

N/A

## Sustainability Considerations

The Plate Club promotes full sustainability for campus events.

## Impact of Decision and Next Steps

Should the fee referendum question be accepted by Legislative Council, the fee question will go to referendum for the Winter 2020 period.

## Motion or Resolution for Approval

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Legislative Council approve the following question for the Winter 2020 referendum period:

“Do you agree to the renewal of the opt-outable Plate Club Fee of \$0.14, to be charged to all undergraduate students who are members of the SSMU in Fall 2020 and ending in Winter 2023 (inclusive), at which time it will be brought back to the membership for renewal? with the understanding that a "no" vote will result in the discontinuation of the fee?

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, THAT the SSMU Legislative Council adopts the actionable aspects of this question and that any grammatical or legal changes necessary do not need the re-approval of the Legislative Council.

## Results of the Vote

In favour ()  
Opposed ()  
Abstain ()