

To the Executive Board

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onderwerp	Renovation 'Drienerburght'.		

Dear Executive Board,

The University Council has received the information regarding the renovation of the 'Drienerburght'. To our opinion the policy that determines how the student housing is used should be formulated as soon as possible. Such a policy should indicate what will be done when more students enrol than the available number of rooms in the 'Drienerburght' and ensure to resident community as well what is done when less than 59 rooms are required for ATLAS.

The exploitation of the student housing will be done by the University of Twente. The University Council finds it important that a (semi-commercial) company is found to take ownership of the housing part of the 'Drienerburght' building, to prevent financial risks for the University of Twente.

DRAFT-ADVICE:

The University Council,

seen:

- Renovation Drienerburght UR 19 127;

heard:

- the Internal Committee Meeting FPB, 4 September 2019;
- the External Committee Meeting FPB, 18 September 2019;

considering:

- student housing should be provided by a professional company specialized in housing for students;
- a policy on how to deal with surplus or too little available housing should be available as soon as possible;
- this policy should also include;

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decision:

The University Council advises that a policy on how to deal with student housing in 'Drienerburght' will be made as soon as possible. The council would like to see that at least the following items will be treated in the policy in close consultation with ATLAS students:

1. What measures will be taken in case rooms are not being occupied (e.g. in terms of finances and occupancy by other students)?
2. Should the intake of first year Atlas students be higher than the number of rooms available within 'Drienerburght', where will they then be housed and how is it ensured that the community experience and the residence concept for these students will be similar to those that have housing in the 'Drienerburght'?
3. What is done when a student is not comfortable living in the same building as where they study. How is well-being in this case ensured?
4. The policy should make a clear distinction in responsibilities of ATLAS, ITC and the University of Twente and how these responsibilities are related to each other.

*Yours sincerely,
On behalf of the University Council,*

*dr ir H. Wormeester,
Chairman*

