

ACCOUNTABILITY FORMS

MONDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 2019, 7PM

Matt Kite - Education Officer

YEAR OBJECTIVES

Your objective areas and aims should broadly reflect the commitments made in your manifesto. Where they differ, it will be good to explain to Council why your aims have changed.

Please note that a significant amount of my time has been spent working on internal CUSU management. For more information about this please see the Trustee Report to Council Lent 1.

Opposing marketisation	<i>Influencing the conversation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued to promote the 2019 NSS Boycott campaign Continued planning for possible industrial action
	<i>Persuading the university to lobby government on HE policy</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalised draft CUSU/University response to the TEF Review Planned for the Augar review Spoke to NUS about TEF review
	<i>Putting forward positive alternatives to TEF and the NSS</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continued to promote nominations for the 2019 SLTAs. Began planning SLTA judging panel and ceremony

Building student power	<i>Review of the academic representation system</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the role of academic representation in democracy review
	<i>Supporting student campaigning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with election candidates for Lent elections Continued work planning academic rep training Attended Regent House discussion on the future of the investment office
	<i>Inter union relations</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Met with GU VP to discuss accommodation campaigns
Other key areas of work	<i>Other</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended CUSU Board of Trustees and several meetings of Finance Committee as preparations for 2019-20 budget begin Met with librarians working group to discuss the Undergraduate Study Skills guides (CamGuides) Had meetings with Senior PVC, Director of Education Services, and Chair of Senior Tutor's Committee
	<i>Inclusive teaching and learning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data analysis and report writing up on the reasonable adjustments survey with the DSO

POLICY UPDATES

Here you should provide plans and updates for your work on CUSU policy.

Policy	Updates
<i>Opposing collegiate ranking tables such as the Baxter and Tompkins tables.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
<i>Free Education</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See work on opposing marketisation.
<i>Boycott the NSS</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Campaign for 2019 boycott in progress

<i>Class Lists opt-out</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No change
<i>Opposing the TEF</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See work on marketisation. • The situation has changed somewhat since this policy was passed because participation in the Teaching Excellence Framework is no longer optional for the university. • Work opposing TEF has centred around how the university can best oppose the current direction of national policy. • Conversations around coordinating responses to the 2019 TEF consultation

Evie Aspinall - President

YEAR OBJECTIVES

Please note: A significant amount of my time over the last two weeks has been spent on the management of CUSU whilst we are in an interim period without a Chief Executive.

Engaging with students	<i>Supporting JCRs</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PresCon • Attended Robinson Open Meeting and have scheduled another 4 in the next 2 weeks • Organised a meeting between the University and J/MCR representatives on Brexit • Brought concerns raised by CRs to the head of the Senior Tutors Committee
	<i>Democracy Review</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consultation on potential changes to CUSU Council • Drafted proposals that have come to Council
College Inequality	<i>Comparisons between colleges</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helped with the release of the Taylor's table • Working one on one with J/MCRs that are going through rent negotiations • Drop-in session for colleges who want help with rent negotiations
	<i>Cambridge Bursary scheme</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with the University on SSI

Other key areas of work	<i>Improving Welfare support</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing meetings and discussions with Good Lad and the University re: drinking societies
	<i>Disciplinary Procedure</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of the consultation to encourage students to provide feedback and push for changes
	<i>Brexit</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joined the European Working Group • Helped university draft FAQs • Meeting between University and CRs

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<i>Students not suspects (opposing Prevent)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<i>Elections</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting people who are considering running for election. • Attending election committee meetings to plan for elections as well as CUSU meetings about how to encourage more people to run.
<i>Support the Living</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helped with the release of the Taylor Table comparing employment practices across colleges

<i>Wage Campaign</i>	
<i>Increasing student's input into the CUSU budget</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wrote a paper for CCSSU on CUSU's financial position • Drafting next year's budget
<i>Supporting a second Brexit referendum</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In contact with for our future's sake and discussing how we can work together

Emrys Travis - Disabled Students' Officer

YEAR OBJECTIVES

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'Redefining Success'	<i>Ensuring Reasonable Adjustments are being properly implemented across colleges and departments</i>	Presented report at Health & Wellbeing; met with and meeting key players; planned a big RAs Forum March 21 st for policy makers/student support/teaching staff to talk about how to fix the mess it's all in
	<i>Push for inclusive teaching and learning (inc. alternative assessment methods etc)</i>	Met to discuss double-time; see above
	<i>Pushing for standardised funding for medical evidence</i>	Still collecting policy info from colleges. Data from surveys will go into a second report
Spreading the good	<i>Expanding understanding of what 'counts' as disability</i>	Started working with committee on 'know your rights'/'what counts' materials

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	<i>Creating an active network of support systems that are explicitly welcoming to those who might be hesitant to self-ID</i>	Continued updating website and fb groups
	<i>Know Your Rights + accessibility advocacy</i>	Started working on 'know your rights' materials
Disability & political organising	<i>Expanding understanding of what 'counts' as disability x expanding understanding of how to be inclusive & accessible, in particular within student organising movements & events</i>	Continued distributing 'accessibility in organising' guide, continued work on improving access statement generator
	<i>Building a more stable long-term disability movement in Cambridge</i>	Continued involvement in DPAC, continued comms with UCU, planning for lent elections

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<i>Internal use of access statements</i>	Access statement generator updating work ongoing
<i>External events - access statements</i>	Ditto, plus training
<i>Encourage JCRs & MCRs to have elected liberation positions</i>	No update from last Council
<i>Uni4</i>	No update from last Council

Shadab Ahmed - Access & Funding Officer

YEAR OBJECTIVES

Objective area 1 Diversity	<i>Bangladeshi, Pakistani and Arab Access Initiative (CamSpire)</i>	Applications closed, may be extended. Bradford Launch event occurred.
Objective area 2 Post-Offer Support	<i>Student Support Initiative</i>	Discussion of Transition Year - not yet able to disclose documents, but if people would like meetings to discuss vague thoughts, would be happy to do so.
Objective area 3 Other Work	<i>CUSU Shadowing Scheme</i>	Finished. Evaluation (qualitative and quantitative to be carried out) and short report written.
	<i>Committees and Meetings</i>	Bursaries Research Steering Group - Analysis for OfS Report complete. Results confidential at this point in time, but happy to speak to people about findings in broader findings. Strategic Access and Widening Participation Group - Discussed SSI. Cambridge Bursary Scheme Steering Group - Recommended action for Scottish Student financial eligibility.
	<i>Cultural Access Group</i>	BME Mingle held for Shadowing Scheme.
	<i>General CUSU Work</i>	Democracy Review. Learning and Teaching Reviews. Campaign Planning. Executive Committee.
	<i>Meeting Access Representatives</i>	Meetings with college and society access officers.
	<i>Target Schools</i>	To handover to a student group.
	<i>Misc</i>	Spoken to various students considering running for JCR positions as well as CUSU sabbatical roles.