

CUSU council accountability form EVIE - CUSU PRESIDENT

year objectives

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| **Engaging with students** | *Interaction with students* | * Responding to and dealing with student and press concerns following last Council |
| *CUSU Lounge* | * Continued work with the shared resources- lounge subcommittee within CUSU * Begun discussions around a more significant overhaul of the SU building. |
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| **College Inequality** | *Comparisons between colleges* | * Began analysing data for ‘The College Review’ * Produced a document of JCR funding for St Johns JCR * Produced guidance on the new CUSU affiliation fees |
| *Cambridge Bursary scheme* | * Meetings with the University to help shape bursary projects for the future |
| *Rent* | * Internal meeting with sabbs to plan how best to tackle rent prices and rent inequality * Raised the issue with the VC |
| **Other key areas of work** | *Drinking Societies* | * Produced a motion for Council * Liaised with Good Lad to work out logistics for the workshops |
| *Improving Pastoral Care* | * Investigations into what pastoral care is currently available * Discussions with university staff as to what might be possible * Analysed the ‘Guide to tutoring’ and created recommendations on how it could be improved |
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policy updates

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| **Policy** | **Updates** |
| *Students not suspects (opposing Prevent)* | * Met with the Home Office to discuss Prevent and attended follow up meetings with senior University staff |
| *Support student rent campaigns* | * See above work on rent. |
| *Support the Living Wage Campaign* | * Met with the Living Wage Campaign to discuss how best to campaign to colleges * Living Wage Campaign meeting * Organised Living Wage Training |
| *Increasing student’s input into the CUSU budget* | * Presented response to Inquiry into CUSU Finances to Council |

CUSU council accountability form Emrys – disabled students’ officer

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| **‘Redefining Success’** | *Ensuring Reasonable Adjustments are being properly implemented across colleges and departments* | Surveys asking for students’ experiences with RA implementation still open |
| *Push for inclusive teaching and learning (inc. alternative assessment methods etc)* | Attended project boards, discussed the new Exam Access & Mitigation Committee (covering areas previously covered by the Applications Committee i.e. exam adjustments and allowances) with the Student Registry |
| *Pushing for standardised funding for medical evidence* | Met with ST of Queens’ to discuss their approach to welfare and education, this included. Survey asking for student experiences still open |
| **Spreading the good news** | *Expanding understanding of what ‘counts’ as disability* | Designed and delivered training to college DSOs/other welfare and liberation officers and other students. “Does it count” event on mental health as disability Wednesday 17th in collab with Christine |
| *Creating an active network of support systems that are explicitly welcoming to those who might be hesitant to self-ID* | Designed and delivered training to college DSOs/other welfare and liberation officers and other students |
| *Know Your Rights + accessibility advocacy* | Designed and delivered training to college DSOs/other welfare and liberation officers and other students |
| **Disability & political organising** | *Expanding understanding of what ‘counts’ as disability x expanding understanding of how to be inclusive & accessible, in particular within student organising movements & events* | Document planning for focus group still open |
| *Building a more stable long-term disability movement in Cambridge* | Continued communication with UCU. Gave comment to Varsity on Universal Credit, promoted the protest at the rollout of Universal Credit in Cambridge on Wednesday 17th |

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| *Internal use of access statements* | Began consulting with disabled students as part of improving the DSC access statement generator; trained DSC committee on access statements |
| *External events – access statements* | Began consulting with disabled students as part of improving the DSC access statement generator; trained college officers on access statements |
| *Encourage JCRs & MCRs to have elected liberation positions* | Waiting on data from the College Review |
| *Uni4* | Have briefed Evie on continuing to push on the issue in Resource Management Committee during this coming year |

CUSU council accountability form MATT- CUSU EDUCATION OFFICER

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| **Opposing marketisation** | *Influencing the conversation* | * Hosted NUS anti-marketisation tour event jointly with WomCam – 12th October * Hosted first Education and Activism reading group, alternate Sundays at 5pm in the CUSU lounge * Registered and began planning for NUS Zones Conference |
| *Persuading the university to lobby government on HE policy* | * Regular meetings with the Senior Pro Vice Chancellor and staff from Educational and Student Policy to discuss areas, particularly around TEF, where CUSU and the university might be able to work together in influencing government policy. * Work feeding in to the new university Education Strategy |
| *Putting forward positive alternatives to TEF and the NSS* | * Continued work on a 5 year report on the Student Led Teaching Awards to provide a positive student-led manifesto for good teaching |
| **Building student power** | *Review of the academic representation system* | * Continued work on a review of faculty/school rep system, working with the university. * Circulated information and consultation to faculties * Began work on publicity of faculty rep elections |
| *Supporting student campaigning* | * Attended meetings of Cambridge Defend Education and Cambridge Cut the Rent |
| *Inter union relations* | * Continued work on GU and UCU MoU |
| **Other key areas of work** | *Preventing Prevent* | * Met Home Office and DfE Prevent representatives and had follow up meetins with university and college officers. * Met with Preventing Prevent at the University of Cambridge |
| *Preparation for possible industrial action* | * Continued to follow progress on pay and pensions dispute in advance of the pay industrial action ballot closing on 16th October |
| *Inclusive teaching and learning* | * Prepared to speak at first event of the CCTL Teaching Associates Programme * Met with CCTL to discuss areas of joint work and the Education Strategy |

CUSU council accountability form CLAIRE- CUSU WOMEN’S OFFICER

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| **Ending sexual harassment and misconduct** | *Keeping pressure on the university to change its standard of proof in disciplinary cases to the balance of probability* | * Organising a Breaking the Silence panel event to keep the disciplinary procedure and relevant research into sexual misconduct relevant to the student body whilst the disciplinary procedure is undergoing internal review * Met with the head of OSCCA in regard to the informal complaints procedure * Met with Head of Educational and Student Policy to gather more insight on the year’s trajectory of reform and consultation |
| *Organising Reclaim the Night as a key event of the women’s campaign with speakers from outside the university* | * Submitted the booking for the vigil which follows the march * Preliminary emails with the external speakers |
| **Demonstrating a critical awareness of race, gender, class and sexuality for our feminism to be meaningful** | *Trans admission to all women colleges based on self-identification* | * Confirmed meeting with Newnham college |
| *Supporting the liberation reps and open portfolio campaigners on the Women’s Campaign committee* | * Ran a Queer Film Screening and Controversy club night * Continued organising other panel events, such as the non-binary discussion on Tuesday 23rd October |
| *Demystify women’s campaign forums* | * Attended Sidney Sussex and Robinson Feminist Societies * Recording with TCS Telly to introduce Womcam and feminist organising * Release forum agenda and minutes in timely fashion online |
| **Free, liberated education as a feminist issue** | *Decolonising the curriculum* | * Minutes with action points from the meeting with the group are being worked on and circulated * Met with the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Officer in the English faculty |
| *Maintaining and creating links with other liberation work* | * Planning collaborative forums with FLY, as well as panel events and forums with the BME Campaign’s Women’s Officer * Preparing for NUS Zones conference * Anti-Marketisation panel talk with representation from student groups, UCU and NUS |

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| *Combatting Sexual Misconduct and Violence in Cambridge* | * Met with the Sexual Assault and Harassment Advisor, the head of OSCCA and the Director of Cambridge Rape Crisis Centre to continue and create good working relationships * Updated and ran consent workshops, including an explanation of Breaking the Silence * Supporting students on campaigns against intimate partner violence * Attended a dissemination of the NUS Women’s Campaign and 1752 Group’s report on Staff-Student Sexual Misconduct at the NUS Lead and Change conference in July |
| *Providing information and resources for ending abusive relationships* | * Organised a meeting with key student campaigners * Established a good working relationship with the Sexual Assault and Harassment Advisor, who can provide resources which we can distribute amongst colleges in the form of posters for toilet stalls as outlined in the policy |
| *Support the ‘Good Night Out’ project* | * The situation has changed somewhat since the passing of this policy: the specific resolves of this policy will need to be reassessed as to the most effective ways in which the Women’s Campaign can be involved with the Good Night Out initiative, and how that can work alongside other campaigns such as ‘Ask for Angela’ and the Good Lad Workshops |
| *Motion to fund a society for male survivors of sexual abuse* | * As 1 in 6 men are survivors of sexual abuse, the consent workshop training explicitly addresses the ways in which discussion about and provision of aftercare for survivors of sexual violence can be gendered and heteronormative * The new Sexual Assault and Harassment Advisor is available for students of any gender identity * This group exists on Facebook, yet I am always willing to coordinate with the facilitators to see how I can best support them |

CUSU council accountability form SHADAB- CUSU ACCESS AND FUNDING OFFICER

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| **Objective area 1**  **Diversity** | *Bangladeshi, Pakistani and Arab Access* | Updated paper with new statistics, extrapolating from the National Census data to account for different age demographics of each ethnicity. To be submitted to the Outreach Steering Group for discussion and long term implementation. |
| **Objective area 2**  **Post-Offer Support** | *Class Act* | To write a new constitution for Class Act in line with the other liberation campaigns. |
| **Objective area 3**  **Other Work** | *InsideUni* | Launch event for helpers. Recruiting editors. Liaising with university and college staff to ensure quality control of website content. |
| *CUSU Shadowing Scheme* | Shadowing Scheme: Organising rooms, speakers, recruiting mentors, recruiting applicants to apply for the scheme, ongoing communications with the colleges. |
|  | *Consultation Response* | Submitted OfS Consultation response. This was broadly in line with the university’s response, with a particular focus on the need for more information the point of application. |
|  | *Committees* | Undergraduate Admissions, Teacher Engagement Strategy Group, Colleges Outreach Monitoring Group, Admission’s Forum. |

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| *Motion to promote a more accessible Cambridge for students in receipt of the full Cambridge Bursary* | Met with Pembroke May Ball Presidents to discuss how this may work. Will attend the May Ball committee meetings to gain a broader view of the logistics of such a scheme. |