

CUSU council accountability form – Matt Kite

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*

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| **Opposing marketisation** | *Influencing the conversation* | * Continued to promote the 2019 NSS Boycott campaign
* Discussed university Education Strategy at several committees and with CCTL
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| *Persuading the university to lobby government on HE policy* | * Met with university representatives to discuss responses to the TEF Review
* Planned for the Augar review
* Spoke NUS about TEF review
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| *Putting forward positive alternatives to TEF and the NSS* | * Continued to promote nominations for the 2019 SLTAs.
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| **Building student power** | *Review of the academic representation system* | * Continued work on a review of faculty/school rep system, working with the university – continued writing up recommendations
* Ran training for academic reps and created CUSU Connects Academic Reps
 |
| *Supporting student campaigning* | * Met with election candidates for Lent elections
* Attended CUSU executive
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| *Inter union relations* | * Work on UCU strike support council policy
 |
| **Other key areas of work** | *Other* | * -Supporting democracy review progress
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| *Inclusive teaching and learning*  | * Data analysis on the reasonable adjustments survey with the DSO
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policy updates

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| **Policy** | **Updates** |
| *Opposing collegiate ranking tables such as the Baxter and Tompkins tables.* | * Discussed collegiate rankings at Senior Tutors’ Standing Committee on Education
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| *Free Education* | * See work on opposing marketisation.
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| *Boycott the NSS* | * Campaign for 2019 boycott in progress
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| *Class Lists opt-out* | * No change
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| *Opposing the TEF* | * 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
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| *Cambridge Bursary scheme* | * See above about SSI
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| *Rent* | * -
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