



# AMATEY DOKU *for* CUSU PRESIDENT

I'm Amatey Doku, an HSPS finalist and I'm running for CUSU President. We all know the problems facing Cambridge students and this campaign is about implementing the real reforms that CUSU needs to begin making a difference. I've got the experience and skills to make real changes, and a pragmatic and positive vision of how CUSU needs to adapt to better play its role; supporting JCRs and championing student interests.

## POLICIES

### *Actively supporting JCRs:*

Whether it's rising rents, dissatisfaction with teaching, or pervasive gaps in College welfare provision, **CUSU must be at the disposal of all College JCRs**. To make this happen, I will pledge to meet regularly with all JCR presidents, and **revamp our online database** to give JCRs a powerful tool when negotiating with their Colleges.

### *Increasing student engagement:*

Not just a catchy phrase, I would institute a special '**Vice-President's Council**' of JCR representatives as an immediate point of contact and oversight, ensuring that CUSU is always in touch with the students it serves. Elected by CUSU Council each term, your JCR President would have the chance to get right to the heart of CUSU decision making.

### *Demanding greater transparency:*

According to the Big Cambridge Survey "**81% of students are vehemently in favour of having a voice in the investments and actions of the Colleges**". I'm committed to making sure that students' opinions are being fairly represented at every level, and will strategically challenge the exclusion of student voices and oversight- starting with the unaccountable Bursars' Committee.

## EXPERIENCE

Just as important as good policy, however, is a good approach. Being CUSU president means responding quickly and calmly to unforeseen challenges, and working effectively with people from across the University. I will bring a pragmatic, focused approach to the job. Need convincing?

*As President of Jesus College Students Union, I:*

- Oversaw the most **extensive constitutional reform in 6 years**, reforming the way the Student Union ran
- Removed a **£7000 deficit** in JCR expenditure without compromising any clubs and societies
- Successfully blocked changes to the College's regulations which **could have adversely affected students**
- Sat on over **7 different College committees** and had a robust working relationship with the College authorities to work towards solutions in the best interests of all students.

## MY VISION FOR CUSU

I will commit to managing a CUSU that implements real changes in an effective, responsive and pragmatic manner. Sometimes this will require me to publicly call the university out to push for reforms but it is through working robustly and confidently with the University that real lasting differences can be made to students' lives.

Ultimately, only a CUSU team which is visible, attending JCR open meetings and meeting students regularly can truly be one that represents you at every level and that is the CUSU I want to lead.

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