

Poppy for University Councilor

My name is Poppy Cockburn and I am a first-year History and Politics student at Robinson College. In my time here, I have been my JCR's Green Officer as well as involved in Zero Carbon Society. As a passionate campaigner for issues of social justice, I have witnessed the massive base of student support towards positive change, concerning everything from climate justice and fair rent to greater liberation for women and non-binary people and the LGBT+, BAME and disabled communities. As such, I want to represent this diverse group of students as a progressive voice on University Council. If I am elected your University Councilor, I will continue to work closely with student campaigns as well as reaching out to JCRs and MCRs in the coming year, guaranteeing opportunities for every student to have a say in how our University is run.

MY GOALS:

- 1. DIVESTMENT** - In line with mandates from Regent House and the student body, I will ensure that full divestment from fossil fuels remains at the top of council's agenda. I will push for a new investment office that is democratically accountable and transparent. I will ensure that University Policy on divestment reflects the views of all, not just the privileged few.
- 2. HOUSING AND RENT** - I will lobby on behalf of students for fairer rents across the board by moving towards a more centralized and consistent policy which all colleges should commit to. I will also oppose damaging gentrification projects such as the North-West Cambridge and the proposed Mill Lane development.
- 3. A SAFE UNIVERSITY FOR ALL** - I strongly support the changes to University policy regarding the disciplinary procedure in cases of sexual assault. I will work with the CUSU Women's Officer to continue progress on standardizing the procedure throughout all colleges.
- 4. SUPPORT BME STUDENTS** - As University Councilor, I will work alongside student BME campaigners to ensure student welfare, as well as fighting against the 'Prevent' program, focusing particularly on standardizing the procedure in order to ensure student safety and pushing the University to lobby Government for an independent review of the program.
- 5. FIGHT MARKETISATION** - As your representative I will ensure that student needs are ALWAYS prioritized over financial gain, as well as stand in solidarity with staff in all colleges fighting for a living wage.

REPRESENTING STUDENTS, NOT MANAGEMENT!