Vote Stella for NUS Delegate

* As the current Welfare and Rights Officer for CUSU and the GU I’ve got a good idea of the main issues affecting students’ welfare at Cambridge, as well as experience campaigning for positive change on these at a university level, running training sessions for students and staff, and platforming student organising in my full time job as a sabbatical officer.
* I also campaigned as a student on issues from cutting the rent to strike solidarity to opposing Prevent. I’ve worked on linking up our campaigning with local groups, as well as Anglia Ruskin and national campaigns, because I know that we are most effective when we work together for change.

***At National Conference I’ll be voting for motions and candidates who reflect a commitment to NUS support and action on the following areas...***

* Welfare is Political
  + **Opposing the racist Prevent duty** - I will be looking to work with the NUS to vocally oppose Prevent as students in a national, coordinated way.
  + **Supporting survivors** – the work the NUS Women’s Campaign has been campaigning to support survivors of sexual violence including working with the 1752 Group to do focussed research on universities - I would like to see a linked-up approach across Students’ Unions, sharing best practice and campaign advice.
  + **Support for student sex workers** - I want to make sure that NUS links up with other national campaigns for the decriminalisation of sex work, as well as ensuring that SUs are supporting students.
  + **Cut the Rent** -  I’ll keep linked up with the NUS VP Welfare and the NUS’ campaigns fighting for fairer rents across our universities.
* Free Education
  + **Against marketisation** - the NUS’ vision of a National Education Service would transform our view of education from a product to be bought - I want to continue opposing harmful metrics like the NSS.
  + **Decolonisation** - I’ll be linking up with our Delolonisation Network to make sure students can feed into national policy.
  + **Post-grads as a priority** - Cambridge University is consciously increasing its number of postgraduate students, who suffer most acutely some of the impacts of a costly degree with little pastoral support and rocketing housing prices. As a Graduate Union sabbatical officer, I’ll be making sure post-graduate voices are heard at a national level.
* **Divest // Disarm // Democratise**
  + Universities should not be funding, or funded by, industries that cause global destruction either through their fossil fuel extraction or their support of the global arms trade.
  + I believe that by building student power to make change our Universities *can* become forces for good, rather than fostering revolving-door deals with the arms and fossil fuel industries
* **Union support**
  + With the UCU strikes approaching, it’s clearly very important that students’ unions are closely linked with other workers’ unions
  + I’ll work to make sure that campaigns for the unionisation of cleaning staff (as part of the Living Wage Campaign) is supported by the NUS, and that they are actively seeking links with other trade unions.