



## **1. Apologies of absence:**

**Folarin Odunubi- Equal Opportunities Officer-** Nothing to report

**Mikey Venables- Freshers' Week President-** Nothing to report

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## **2. Officers' Reports:**

### **President (Caitlin Brown)**

- Thanks for filling out Arco form. Good feedback for college and we could now have an option for accommodation.

### **Vice President (Isobel Roberts-Rajoo)**

- Thanks for filling out meat-free Monday form. Third week of four week trial to come. There will be an official mi-vote system.
- VP deals with domestic issues, accommodation, food, etc.

### **Treasurer (John Bryant)**

- Thanks for the Arco survey. Freshers- Look at the photo to check your name is in the right place and spelt correctly.

### **Secretary (Patrick Hall)**

- Nominations for Vice President are open so please speak to Issy or myself if you have any questions.
- IT, Sports, Yearbook and Disabled Students Rep applications are still open so please do consider applying.

### **Welfare (Ellie Gomes and Jan Thilakawardana)**

- Film night on Friday- Breakfast Club- please come.
- We are looking for events that people want to come to.
- It can be anything.

### **Equal Ops (Folarin Odunubi)**

- Absent

### **Accommodation (Anna Barona)**

- Thank you for filling in the form- will now consider other options.

### **OUSU Rep (Richard Matousek)**

- Controversial meeting at OUSU to come.
- Buses to tuition fees demos in London. Speak to Caitlin or me if interested in coming.

### **Freshers' Week President (Mikey Venables)**

- Absent

### **Charities (Clara, Elena and Annie)**

- Thanks for signing up to be a blood doner.
- Now to pick a winner for the donars- Eve Nelson.
- Big event in o'Reilly in 8<sup>th</sup> week. Give me ideas or volunteer for acting or tech.

### **Entz (Laura, Matt and Fergus)**

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### Arts & Pubs (Una O'Sullivan)

- Keble Art room began this week and it will continue soon.
- 6<sup>th</sup> wekk- another film showing in the O'R (maybe fourth week too)

### Environment & Ethics (Jake Palmer)

- Absent

### Careers & Alumni (Shakeel Hashim)

- Computer science and technology/ eng. Career fairs to come.
- Deadlines for careers are approaching

### Academic Affairs (Matt Roberts)

Committee meeting to come

## Other reports

### LGBTQ-

Bar swap at 20;30 with Worcester on Tuesday.

### Keble College Drink:

- Dan Mangles did this last year but it did not happen.
- We can't have more than 4 shots in the drink

### Rugby:

-Match on Saturday- please come and watch.

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## 3. Motions:

### Motion 1

**Proposed by:** Sofia Karlsson

**Seconded by:** Caitlin Brown

This JCR notes that:

- Green Impact, a NUS scheme trying to make colleges more sustainable, has just launched a group at Keble.
- The group needs funding to be able to successfully make Keble 'greener', which would mainly go the printing of stickers and posters, plus funding for prizes for competitions that we will be putting on this year.

This JCR believes that:

- Supporting Keble Green Impact allows the JCR to make a positive impact towards making the college more sustainable.

This JCR therefore resolves to:

- Give Keble Green Impact £100 in funding, assuming that anything not used will be returned to the JCR.

**For**

**Sofia-** Interested in environment- please get involved.

**Caitlin-** first meeting on Tuesday and it was very rewarding and it isn't much work- different levels of involvement.

**Questions:**

**Dani-** is there a budget for E and E rep that covers this?

**Caitlin-** there needs to be a budget for the society and for admin.

**Issy-** More green waves

**Sofia-** there is an eco-friendly printing company for advertising. We can use re-use stickers.

**Laura-** badges would work.

**Issy-** recycled.

Vote:

For- 36

Abstain- 0

Against- 0

## **Motion 2**

**Proposed by: Will Grimmond**

**Seconded by: Caitlin Brown**

This JCR notes that:

1. There is significant interest from JCR members in the upcoming US presidential election, in particular in having a Keble-wide event for watching the results
2. The MCR are also going to be providing some funding

This JCR therefore resolves to:

1. Put £200 towards food & drink for the evening
2. Ensure that all unspent monies are returned to the JCR

**Caitlin-** We may open the doors between the JCR and the MCR.

Big tesco order for food. Probs won't spend the whole budget.

**Dani-** does not count as Entz.

**Laura-** we did not come up with this idea.

**Shakeel-** which channel will be used to televise it?

**Caitlin-** separate channels in different rooms.

**Dani-** who decides refreshments?

**Caitlin-** Will.

**Morgan-** Will it be Hugh Edmunds?

**Fred-** BBC can't fund High Edmunds

Vote:

For- 36

Abstain- 0

Against- 0

## **Motion 3**

**Proposed: Caitlin Brown**

**Seconded: Richard Matousek**

**This Common Room notes:**

1. The Higher Education Bill is currently making its way through parliament
2. The HE Bill contains proposals to increase tuition fees, and allow differentiation of fees between institutions based on highly questionable assessments of 'Teaching Excellence'. It also proposes to form an 'Office for Students' with no student representation whatsoever.
3. With parliamentary approval, Oxford University already intends to increase fees for on-course students in 2017-18 to £9250

4. The NUS (National Union of Students) and the UCU (University and College Union) have called a national demo in London on November 19th for free, accessible and quality further and higher education across the UK, and to demand an end to the marketisation of university and college education.
5. That a full risk assessment of the demonstration is being undertaken by the NUS.
6. That NUS have taken measures to ensure that the demo is as accessible as possible and there will be specific provision for disabled students
7. OUSU has no budget line for protests and demonstrations and therefore cannot fund the event alone.
8. In 2014 and 2015 OUSU has organised for 2 coaches to take Oxford students to national demonstrations, thanks to financial support of common rooms.
9. Two coaches to transport students to and from London on November 19th would cost OUSU £1210.
10. In 1<sup>st</sup> week OUSU council, OUSU council passed £300 from its yearly discretionary budget to help fund the coaches.
11. In addition, OUSU intends to charge £3.66 at the point of booking (66p of which is a booking fee taken by the website). This is to ensure attendance, and also to help towards to cost.

**This Common Room believes:**

1. Oxford students should be given the opportunity to speak out against changes that will significantly affect their access to education.
2. In addition to current students, if implemented, numerous policies in the HE Bill would be exceptionally detrimental to encouraging access and widening participation at Oxford, disproportionately affecting those from marginalised and/or underrepresented groups who have are more inclined to be debt averse.

**This Common Room resolves:**

1. To donate £100 to OUSU to help with the costs of taking students to the United for Education Demo on November 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 .

For:

**Caitlin:** Students pay some money on top of the £100 that will be given by OUSU. Each common room will donate £300.

**Rich:** OUSU proposes a much smaller project

**Shakeel:** Is this political? We can't take a stance?

**Michael:** this is just to provide for those that go, not to support it.

Vote:

For- 31,  
Abstain- 3  
Against- 2

**Motion 4**

**Proposed by: Amalia White**

**Seconded by: Lucy Miles**

The JCR notes that:

Keble has an 8-strong team of cast and crew who intend to perform an original play, written by Isobel Hambleton and directed by Jeevan Ravindran for Drama Cuppers in 5th week at the Burton Taylor Studio. The cast have combined experience in directing, acting and writing and are very enthusiastic and excited to get involved in the Oxford drama scene. Keble has a strong tradition of drama as well as success in Drama Cuppers and this should be fostered at this year's Drama Cuppers.

The JCR proposes that:

1. The JCR donates £85 to cover the £35 entry fee and the £50 Cuppers maximum budget.
2. Any funding money that is not used will be returned to the JCR.

**Lucy:** Come and watch. The entry is cheap.

When is it?

**Lucy:** Fifth week.

**Patrick-** JCR paid last year.

Vote:

For- 36,

Abstain- 0

Against- 0

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## 4. Matters for Discussion

### 5. Any Other Business

Richard- OUSU are debating whether to oppose or support Oxford joining the Teacher excellence framework. Should we support OUSU or have an online vote.

What does TEF mean?

Rich- student satisfaction, graduate employment, other statistics to suggest excellence. Oxford would probably get in and could increase tuition fees.

If we don't join- would we still increase the fees?

Rich- we'd still be in the top ratings so possibly. Gov have not released all details.

Will they subsidise other universities or is it just a detail?

**Richard**- so far it is just a title according to govt. but the fees will rise with inflation and no more than that.

**Shakeel**- everyone in college should be consulted about this for the JCR opinion.

Do subjects affect rankings?

Probably not.

Original plan is to keep it at the same rate every year but the govt. want to change this.

This will affect current students as well as new students with regards to inflation.

**Rich**- I agree with OUSU opposition.

But it would be like a protest vote to make Oxford look bad.

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