**JCR COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES**

Sunday 22 January 2017

1. **Officers’ Reports:**

President (Caitlin Brown)

* BME meeting with 5 other colleges
* Welfare meeting with all other college presidents and Welfare reps → improve welfare across whole university
  + University-wide document
  + Send in feedback
* Paintball against St Johns proposal
  + 7-8 pounds for coach to Redding
  + Pay on top for paintball
  + Google doc sing-up
* LGBTQ+ flag for Diversity Dinner
  + Oxford Commas
  + Celebrating everyone → all inclusive
  + Cultural dress
  + Poem reading written by a queer woman of colour instead of grace
  + Facebook event
* Fairtrade initiative → Samosa tasting
  + Fairfull → proceeds to pregnant women in Indian slums
* JCR freezer
  + Open to everyone for freezer uses

Vice President (Megan Donnet)

* Pizza bar now open at weekend

Treasurer (John Bryant)

* N/A

Secretary (Verity Bligh)

* N/A

Welfare (Ellie Gomes and Jan Thilakawardana)

* Comedy night 5th week
* Change to Welfare drop-in → online chat service
* Peer Support every Sunday
* Peer support applications coming out this term

Equal Ops (Flo Odunubi)

* N/A

Accommodation (Anna Barona)

* Missing bed

OUSU Rep (Richard Matousek)

* N/A

Freshers’ Week President (Mikey Venables)

* N/A

Charities (Dani Alvarez)

* N/A

Entz (Dom, Eddie and Harry)

* Enjoyed last night’s BOP and 2 more this term

Arts & Pubs (Una O’Sullivan)

* Keble Arts Club every Tuesday
* Keble Arts Festival in 4th week – like Facebook page
* Physical theatre workshop is ticketed

Environment & Ethics (Sofia Carlson)

* Fairtrade samosa tasting
* Keble VegSoc pizza meeting this Friday
* Keble Green Impact Instagram account
* Wear more jumpers to avoid turning up heating

Careers & Alumni (Shakeel Hashim)

* N/A

Academic Affairs (Matt Roberts)

* N/A

1. **Motions**

* Rainbow Flag motion

*This JCR notes that*

1. LGBT History Month is an annual, month long observance of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer history, and a celebration of the history of the queer liberation movement. In the United Kingdom, it takes place during the month of February.
2. In its Equal Opportunities Statement on the Keble website, the College sets out its commitment to “promoting diversity and making Keble College a place where people's differences are respected and catered for…” and undertakes to “… be proactive in eliminating discrimination.”
3. The rainbow flag is a symbol of [lesbian](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=zfgEVYP_FxVxGZ9Llit1QtTrggw0Y0QiLT1IfDLRFu5QKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAEwAZQBzAGIAaQBhAG4A&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fLesbian), [gay](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=A7VybrkV3Kz5_QnF4wm4Py-dmU-BrblROo5sJTWvs1lQKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAEcAYQB5AA..&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fGay), [bisexual](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=wCVN_k9RwCv8Kj56qbGBUwIhKFTfgH_PtRAu_dyNBpRQKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAEIAaQBzAGUAeAB1AGEAbAA.&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fBisexual), and [transgender](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=rXWp3dbZ467vb6SohEG4ec2-D3zjX3x2lYc8pvvC_lhQKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAFQAcgBhAG4AcwBnAGUAbgBkAGUAcgA.&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fTransgender) pride. It originated in [Northern California](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=_QM6w2QuuMHkiDHKtkRX-Fqv8jPTYxyj2NuzzDYdPvpQKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAE4AbwByAHQAaABlAHIAbgBfAEMAYQBsAGkAZgBvAHIAbgBpAGEA&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fNorthern_California) (designed by [San Francisco](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=kxUj65_DCjLE6BJ-3Q5wXUuigXMOni8qTuQromNiiq1QKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAFMAYQBuAF8ARgByAGEAbgBjAGkAcwBjAG8A&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fSan_Francisco) artist [Gilbert Baker](https://owa.nexus.ox.ac.uk/owa/redir.aspx?SURL=0ShMJfTcW7ylVMnQZQDdCkKNyulhJZ8BywEca_SnuaVQKbgWB0PUCGgAdAB0AHAAcwA6AC8ALwBlAG4ALgB3AGkAawBpAHAAZQBkAGkAYQAuAG8AcgBnAC8AdwBpAGsAaQAvAEcAaQBsAGIAZQByAHQAXwBCAGEAawBlAHIAXwAoAGEAcgB0AGkAcwB0ACkA&URL=https%3a%2f%2fen.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fGilbert_Baker_(artist)) in 1978), but is now used worldwide.  The colours have a combined meaning: together they represent the diversity of the LGBT community and individually they each hold a meaning of their own: life (red), healing (orange), sunlight (yellow), nature (green), harmony (blue), and spirit (purple/violet). It has become a universally positive symbol of queer life and liberation.
4. Increasingly, colleges in Oxford are demonstrating their commitment to the values of diversity and respect for the vibrant LGBTQ+ community in Oxford by flying the rainbow flag on one or more days during LGBT History Month.

*This JCR believes that*

1. Queer students deserve representation and respect, particularly in light of recent world events that threaten their community such as the Orlando shooting in June of last year and the election of queerphobic politicians in the United States, and in light of the results of the OUSU welfare survey last year which reported that queer students, and particularly trans students, were more likely to experience mental health issues whilst studying at Oxford and continue to experience higher feelings of isolation and general unhappiness.
2. Flying the rainbow flag would uphold the commitments in Keble's Equal Opportunities Statement and make a clear statement that the college supports and stands in solidarity with LGBTQ+ students.

*This JCR therefore resolves to*

1. Fly the LGBTQ+ Rainbow flag on three days in Hilary Term 2017 to mark LGBT History Month.  The dates proposed are:
   * Tuesday, 31st January   - on the occasion of the inaugural Diversity Dinner
   * Wednesday, 1st February - to mark the start of the month
   * Tuesday, 28th February   - to mark the end of the month
   * Proposed by: Niamh White

* Seconded by: Yolanda Shamash
* Questions
  + Does college have a flag? Yes, from last year
  + More than 3 days? No, college logistics
  + Where is flag? On top of lodge

Quorum: 42

* **32 YES**
* **0 NO**
* **4 abstentions**
* **MOTION PASSES**

1. **Matters for Discussion**

* JCR reimbursement for emergency contraception
  + Possible to get it for free
  + Maximum of 25 pounds
  + Individual cost to the budget versus frequency
    1. Criteria for post-hoc contraception
    2. All-or-nothing for contraception
    3. Available for free in most circumstances → medical centre, Boots (under 21, anonymous form) etc.
    4. In exceptional circumstances where clinic is closed etc.
  + Where is the limit if people abuse the system?
    1. Possible to review system
    2. At other colleges, average of one a term
  + Emergency Welfare fund proposal → message Ellie and Jan
    1. E.g.: visits to hospital, costs for taxis, accidents
    2. Case-by-case basis
    3. Junior Dean from Lodge will already reimburse and order taxis to hospitals/medical centre → comes out of college budget under Junior Dean
    4. Combined emergency budget for physical and sexual health?
  + Proposed system
    1. Pidge receipt to Ellie or Jan
    2. Reimbursed with JCR budget
    3. Keep system as anonymous as possible
  + Positive feedback so far, review with Dean
  + Provisional system for this term then Ellie and Jan will review
  + Further meeting to discuss emergency Welfare fund

1. **Any Other Business**

* Fraser: Noticeboard poll had a lot of support for water fountain for gym → college declined on reasons of plumbing or safety (one next to laundry)
* Eve: Bike rack → individual bike number
  + Work section by section
  + Reserve some bike racks for fellows
  + Remove bikes from section with red tape
* Callum: 2 plays this week → Collaborators (Callum Coghlan and Bella Soames) and Edward II (Lucy Miles)