**Fitzwilliam College JCR**

Meeting 1 - Full Committee

Monday 7th December 2020 - Virtual (Google Meet)

# Minutes

Attendees - Joshan Parmar, Erin Gerrity, Louis Henry, Natasha Huang, Athena Ham, Natalie Thompson, Elizabeth Torley, Sarah Anderson, Miriam Lay, Abi Chapman, Keri McIntyre, Emilia Silaste, Izzy Woodford, Hannah Harrison, Mayuran Visakan, Alexander Hood, Sakhina Benkmael, Erin Gerrity, Simpson Tam, Tejas Easwar, Alex Harper, Thalia Witherford, Kathryn Spencer, Colin McCann, Holly Hodges, Natalie Rose, Elizabeth Torley & Daniel Ellis, E Rabinowitz

Apologies - Ali Khalid, Aye Omatsuli, Ceci Power, Freya Prince, Gareth Effiom, Lottie Malaley, Temitope Bolaji, Thomas Gilhooly, Yasmin Adam

Objections to the order of business

Brief Introduction from Committee Members

Introduction to the JCR - Joshan/Mayuran

COVID Update - Joshan

* At the end of term no households were self isolating due to asymptomatic testing. 1 (MCR) household was self isolating due to symptomatic testing.
* Asymptomatic testing has paused for the holiday and is expected to resume for the 18th (start of lent term)

College asked for feedback on the Michaelmas events:

- MV events at end of term better because interactive

* KM the quiz was good
* LH Meringue competition didn't have enough information, zoom call alongside baking events.
* JP winner of Meringue competition to be circulated

Christmas break

* Less undergrads staying than normal over christmas, some JCR are and support will be provided if those who remain need to isolate.
* Catering will be closed for a week from 23rd, MCR hosting events, JP contactacting to see if it’s possible for JCR members to attend.

Return

* Phased return not for cambridge because of testing regime unless government advice changes.
* University hope International students can avoid quarantine through university tests after 5 days.
* Generally will be similar to the Michaelmas return, some teaching will remain online.
* KM if students need to return back early who should they contact? JP accommodation office
* MV stressed phased return is not wanted as term is short already.
* Should college run another town hall q+a? Wasn’t known about by many, but those who went found it useful

Motion to lobby the college to adopt the IHRA definition of AntiSemitism - Daniel Ellis

* 4th November the University voted to adopt
* 9th November CUSU also voted to adopt
* Therefore Fitz JCR should lobby for college in line with our open atmosphere and low tolerance for discrimination.
* Beneficial for Jewish students
* <https://www.holocaustremembrance.com/resources/working-definitions-charters/working-definition-antisemitism>
* Not about censoring Israel/Palestine discussion, just holding to the same standards as other states.

**Motion Passes - Unanimous**

Events planned for next term - Louis

* Drinks on the grove as per chaplains in freshers
* Pool tournament over lent and easter
* Weekly quizzes
* ⅔ cooking events
* ⅔ open air concerts/fitz sessions
* Karaoke live stream or in person
* Fitz bingo night
* Generic online film/video game nights
* MV can we produce a term calendar? LH yes but in a few weeks
* Devise a system to get remotes for PS4 and Wii in TV room
* AH any ideas about price? Concerts may have a cost if the performers are not from fitz, other events only require time and alcohol
* Bop at end of lent if rules allow - very loose

Planning the Budget - Alex

* Will send out an email requesting information after 9th
* Predicted dates, cost, general description
* Conversations to be had between individuals

Any other business