

# Ummé for VPI!

## **ABOUT ME:**

- I'm a 3<sup>rd</sup> year MMLer currently trying to make sense of Upper Austrian dialect (send help).
- I was a welfare officer in my second year: I have experience attending staff meetings, and have already formed a relationship with several members of senior staff.
- I'm currently teaching English to teenagers who are very reluctant to speak – if I can get them to participate in lessons, then I think my chances of getting college to listen to me are pretty high.

## **MY IDEAS:**

### **Increased involvement of and communication with all students:**

- Although “Ask the HUS” has already been revamped into the new question section on the JCR website, I think it would be beneficial to hold a fortnightly drop in meeting where any students can come and ask any other questions or queries they have about anything HUS or college related.
- Every year there are increased efforts to organise non-drinking events both in Freshers' Week and throughout the year, but as a non-drinker myself, I could provide valuable input on what could really work.
- Returning to Cambridge, I feel that students will all have different comfort levels when it comes to returning to “normal” life. I will do everything I can to ensure that all students feel supported by college and the HUS, and that our events cater to everyone's needs.
- Above all, I'd be there to *listen*, and respond as best I can.

### **Student welfare:**

- Despite no longer being welfare officer, welfare is still at the heart of everything I want to achieve so I would work very closely with the new welfare officers.
- In my second year, I was involved in discussions with staff about what college is doing well and not well in terms of our welfare; these discussions are something I would continue and hold college accountable for.
- VPI is responsible for organising training sessions for HUS members prior to Freshers' week. In my second year, I felt completely out of my depth despite these sessions: I would work with the support team and senior staff to see if there is a more effective way to organise this.

