



SRC 2021/22 TERMREPORT 2 SOCIETIES COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

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Constitutional Responsibilities

According to the student constitution the constitutional responsibilities of the societies' council chairperson are the following:

1) As chairperson I represent the interest of all recognised student societies and that of the members of all recognised student societies of the University, in that capacity, at the SRC and the University management.

2) I have a constitutional mandate to Actively promote the rights of students contained in CHAPTER 2, and specifically the right to freedom of religion, belief, and opinion under s9 and the right to freedom of association under s12.

3) Serve as a forum of societies' leaders that strives to protect and further the interests of all students, by advising the SRC via the Societies Council chairperson.

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As the chairperson of the Societies Council, my portfolio on the SRC entails that I:

- 1. Ensure concerns from societies are raised at SRC discussions
- 2. Ensure the SRC is aware of developments within the Societies Council
- 3. Ensure SRC decisions/information feed into the societies
- 4. Ensure societies are taking part in SRC projects/initiatives

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STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

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Our last term was a very successful term, everything we had proposed to achieve we did and for that I am grateful.

Societies Council Training

At the end of my last term report, I had stated that having a societies council training would be part of plan. We had one that roughly 30 societies attended, while that was warmly welcomed, we had catered for more and that was money washed if those who said they will attend attended.

We have talks on

Overall, I think it was a success, and therefore many of the future trainings should be held inperson as it allows the executive and council to meet in-person and connect - now that restrictions have subsided.

Societies Council Constitution ratification

Ratifying the constitution took a long time as we never made quorum to vote in our constitution. Finally, on the 18th July we were able to ratify our constitution after 2 years.

The constitution will now be given to Student Court for further comment, and my hope is that.

Co-curricular

Our co-curricular application was being renewed this year, during the holidays and prior to it, I have been working with the co-curricular office on the application that will be reviewed in September. Which I'm grateful for as the process is extensive!

Website update

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We are in the process of updating the website and translating it into three languages - this process will continue into the next term as when we start with reregistration the societies details will need to be updated as well.

Reregistration

We are currently entering a very admin intensive term, and we need to ensure that the process goes smoothly. We are currently in talks with student governance and the preparing we have put in I'm hoping for a smooth outcome.

Handover + Election

This time of year, can be very stressful but I trust that our handover will be smooth. Our election season was very disappointing, we only had 2 formal nominations, which is worrying, but I trust that the next executive can be filled up through an interview process.

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Utilise the following template or something similar to show your expenditure during this term;

Project	Amount budgeted	Amount utilised	Amount available
Societies Council Training	n/a	R 6527	

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- 1. Smooth handover
- 2. Finalizing reregistration
- 3. Have a full executive for next term

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