

Hiya everybody,

It's been a very smooth handover to start our year as Welfare officers, and everyone has been welcoming, friendly and encouraging. A huge thanks must go to all other members of the welfare subcommittee - James, Raniyah, Richelle and Toby. Everyone has put a huge amount of thought and effort into their roles so far, and we look towards making a constitutional change to make all welfare subcommittee positions part of the executive committee. Sadly, the position of LGBT+ officer remains unfilled. We would strongly encourage anyone interested to apply for the role, as unfortunately after RON won the first round of nominations we have received no further applications.

As in previous years, Toby and I distributed chocolate bars to every member of college in week 5 and we remain a source for sexual health supplies for everyone in college. Requests that are made can be anonymous if people choose, and we aim to get supplies out within 24h of the initial request. Looking forward, we are investigating the possibility of purchasing a condom dispenser to place in a strategic location within college. Toby and I will still be available to request supplies from as well, however the new machine will be for people needing supplies more immediately.

We have had a successful first welfare event. A variety of food was provided including fruit, sweet and savoury snacks as well as free tea and coffee, and it took place in the college bar one evening. The purpose was to allow people an opportunity to come and chat with any of the welfare officers in a casual setting, as well as a nice way to unwind and chat with friends at the end of a day. The main talking point seemed to be the large quantity of fudge from the Cambridge Fudge Kitchen; this all disappeared very swiftly and was enjoyed by many. Huge thanks must go to Ryan for helping to make our deal with the Fudge Kitchen, and to all of the staff in the college bar for being so accommodating and preparing all of the hot drinks for us. Looking forward, we are hoping to have similar events run every fortnight or so.

There are many more exciting projects in the pipeline both for Easter Term and Michaelmas, so get excited!

Have a fantastic break, and I look forward to seeing all of you next term.

Trin love

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