

Melanie Benedict for UG President

A President that Cares, An SU that Delivers

I have the experience and the work to show for it.

As the **current VP Liberation and Welfare** of Cambridge SU I have:



- Rebooted the **SUPermarket**: a **free food provision**.
- Put **Access to Lecture Recording** back on the Table.
- Supported **College Divestment** Organisers to make tangible progress.
- Supported Consultation Work on the **University Counselling Service** and negotiated changes.
- Organised activist, welfare, Decolonial, feminist and disability justice events in **collaboration with students and societies**.
- Set up the **Trans-Inclusion Working Group** and campaigned for students in committees.
- Ensured local **MP's attend Parliamentary Discussions for Duty of Care**.

Fairer Rents

- Supporting JCR Presidents in advocating for **rent increase pauses** and against annual rent increases with Senior Collegiate Staff.
- Support **student rent strikes and bargaining using my past experience** as Magdalene JCR President.

Access for all

- Ensure more departments move to **default lecture recording access** and **minimise student workload**, using projects like the Pathways to Inclusive Practise.
- **Improve Anti-Racism training access and reporting** for more safe spaces in University.
- **Protect Trans Students** inclusion in sports and spaces.
- **Expand the SUPermarket** to provide essential goods, clothes and other goods.

A More Ethical Institution:

- Support **Climate Activism** at Cambridge and developing **commercial carbon reduction pathways**.
- Continue supporting and building **Collegiate Arms Divestment Campaigning**.

Better Transparency, More Support

- Improve the visibility of the work of the SU by **meeting students where they are**.
- **Improve the wellbeing support of Tutors** by creating a **single source signposting** document that helps tutors direct their students to the right services instead of having to keep trying different services.

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