**Lady Margaret Hall**

**Junior Common Room**

**General Meeting Minutes**

**Sunday, 26th May 2024, 6th Week TT24**

**Independent Chair: Malaikah Butt**

**Notices**

**Isaac Lethbridge, LMH History Society Co-President** – Letting people know about the final LMH History Society talk on Monday, 27th May, at 7pm in the Old Library.

Isaac -- Please do come along, literally is now or never. Ben Higgins on Early Modern Frost Fairs.

**Elly Bailey, JCR Women\*s Officer** – Requesting people to email Elly when period products need restocking in the toilets.

Elly -- My job is to purchase and distribute period products. Especially in Toynbee toilets. Put up a QR code to notify me if you think they need to be restocked. Period products available in the JCR. Going to get a wider range of tampons for different levels of flow.

**Ike Glassbrook, JCR Vice-President** – Message from college about leaving rooms in a reasonable state at the end of term and regarding the state of some of the laundry rooms in college. Also, an update on the investigation into polling cards.

Ike – Please leave rooms in a clean state; otherwise, you are at risk of having your rooms changed by the Dean next year. Plan ahead and have the ability to clean your room properly. General election been called and there was an issue regarding people not being registered here. Investigation still going on. Will have an update eventually. Do not assume your university registration means you’re automatically registered to vote in Oxford.

**Emma Davies, JCR Secretary**—The sign-up form for the subcommittee on JCR action on Palestine did not record people’s SSOs, so I cannot contact those selected. Please edit your response and add your ‘lady’ number so I can contact you.

**Pearl Crumb, JCR President** – We are in the process of sending an email to the Principal and the Dean with significant concerns regarding the welfare of students as a consequence of the discussions regarding the University’s involvement in the humanitarian crisis in Gaza. We want to urge the college to express its concern and desire for de-escalation to the University administration, to allow us to continue hosting these discussions without polarising the dialogue, and reiterate the existing welfare provisions for Jewish, Muslim, Israeli, Palestinian and Arab identities. We want the college to reaffirm its support for the right of LMH students to protest lawfully and the reassurance that our college can serve as a safe and sensitive environment for students to partake in such discourse.

Pearl – Core exec are urging our college principal and dean for any students affected by the discussions surrounding. Express a desire for de-escalation. Anyone from any background is encouraged to seek help if they need it. Make sure the college is a supportive environment for people to take part in. Ike – Unfortunately seen threats to students participating in the encampment. These have all been deescalated. Encourage anyone planning on going to be aware and bring a friend. Be aware that this is something that is consistently and unfortunately happening.

**Charli Wild, JCR Bar Manager** – Wendy has requested for all glasses in rooms to be returned to the bar.

Charli – if you have an abundance of bar glasses, can you give them back at some point. Wendy will not provide any more.

**Motions**

**Motion 1:** To give £80 to the Isis magazine

**Proposer:** Bella Gerber-Johnstone

**Seconder:** Charli Wild

**Notes:**

Bella – not present

Charli – Asking for £80. Asking college JCRs. We’re asking because LMH is the most represented on the Isis committee. We need money to print a magazine. We have events, but those don’t make enough profit to cover publishing. A couple other publications have asked for funding, Isis hasn’t been one of them yet. I am on the events committee, we host events open to all such as a garden party, launch party, etc. All the money will go toward printing the magazine.

Speak in favour – none

Speak against – none

Freddie – Have you asked the richer colleges for more money? Charlie – Yes. Freddie – Good.

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**Motion 2:** Remove the role of Tortoise Officer.

**Proposer:** Ike Glassbrook

**Seconder:** Pearl Crumb

**Notes:**

Ike – We’re deeply sad about removing the role, but in order to save Emma and whoever the secretary is a massive headache, would be good if we could remove the role. Thanks to Alice’s very long document, it is impossible for us to adopt a tortoise. JCR does not have the lifespan for this. Not getting a tortoise!

Pearl – nothing to add.

Speak in favour – Bruno – If future LMHers want a tortoise they can reinstall the office Ike – or just get a tortoise.

Speak against – none

Dom – What is the headache? Emma – If it is in the constitution, we have to advertise it in the elections, and if it is filled, then we have someone in the JCR not doing anything and reaping the rewards. Dom – What rewards? Freddie – The JCR dinners. Emma – That you attended!

Dom – Can we please have Alice’s proposal? Charli – yes please! Emma – if I can find it, you can have it!

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*[N.B., This motion has passed in its second consecutive meeting; therefore will be enacted (sorry, Dom!)]*