

*The Ex Camera Minutes of*  
**THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL**

Wednesday 12th February 2025, Mansfield College

**Present**

**The President** (Will Lawson, *Mansfield College*); **The Vice President** (Vee Kumar, *Worcester College*); **The Treasurer** (Lauren Crabtree, *Pembroke College*); **The Social Secretary** (Theo Cunningham, *St John's College*); **The Director of Communications** (Harry Morgan, *Pembroke College*); **President Emeritus** (Zagham Farhan, *University College*); **The Returning Officer Emeritus** (Oliver Jones-Lyons, *Christ Church*).

**Apologies**

**Vice-President Emeritus** (Richanne Davies, *University College*); **The Returning Officer** (Julian Wang, *University College*).

**Absent without Apologies**

None.

**Attending**

**The Chief Whip** (Felix Mottram, *St Edmund's Hall*); **The Webmaster** (Hayden Williams, *Oxford Brookes*); **The Chief of Staff** (Liza Barkova, *Christ Church*); **The Political Officer** (Milo Donovan, *Lincoln College*).

*The President opened the meeting of Open Council at 18:43 GMT.*

**Emeritus Committee:**

**The President Emeritus** reports that he contacted ex officers and only one agreed to be on Emeritus Committee. Therefore, Emeritus Committee now comprised of:

- President Emeritus (Zagham Farhan)
- President (Will Lawson)
- Senior Member (Steve Goddard)
- Vice President Emeritus (Richanne Davies)
- Returning Officer (Julian Wang)
- Ex Vice President (Sebastian Evans)
- Treasurer Emeritus (Elizabeth)
- Ex Returning Officer (Oliver Jones-Lyons)

### **Discussion about Standing Orders 8 and 9:**

**President Emeritus** moves to adopt amendments to standing orders 8 and 9.

No objections, *Passes*.

### **Discussion about Standing Order 21: 'Procedure'**

**President** thinks it should not be passed.

**Pres Em:** Inclined to agree it's less fun to put it in the rules, will redraft 21 about serious stuff.

**President:** Welfare should be brought as separate SO.

**RO Em:** Standing order 21 should have all important stuff - re-formed.

**President:** Norm to empower the chair to do what they want re decorum within reason. IE: continue as we are.

### **Alumni Discussion**

**Pres Em:** Question to President - How are we progressing with alumni relations

**President:** I've been in touch with 4-6 alumni, a few of them are coming to annual dinner.

**Pres Em:** Some got in touch about giving money, copied Lauren and Will in.

### **Campaigning Discussion:**

**Pres Em** asks the President: Is there any campaigning schedule

**President** - Have been in touch with the local party, they are very flexible, people can campaign any day

**RO Em:** We should have the RO waive the requirements for this term, as local party can be difficult to organise things with

**President:** There are dates to campaign, Week 5/6 Monday, but they said to turn up whatever day you feel like

**RO Em:** Campaigning requirement will not be met so we should advice RO to remove them

**Pres Em:** There are no elections this term

**RO Em:** Oh, So this shouldn't be an issue!

### **Publications Editor/Political Officer Discussion:**

**Pres Em:** Have we got a publications editor

**President:** Magazine has been released, we are putting up blogs etc

**Pres Em:** We should do an Instagram post every time a new article goes out.

**President:** JL has officially resigned as Political Officer so we're bringing Milo in, JL has done a great job!

### **AGM Discussion:**

**Pres Em:** Question to VP, when is the AGM going to be

**VP:** Want to see when everyone is free

**RO Em:** Put a poll in the GC

**President:** What's the notice requirement

**Pres Em:** 14-day notice requirement, has to be in week 6

**President:** Suggest a series of dates in the GC

**VP:** How long are these meetings?

**RO Em:** One hour

**Pres Em:** Business would be to elect a senior member, do any rules changes etc.

**Pres Em:** Rules and standing order separate, already sent an email to Vice President

**RO Em:** Violates standard procedure?

**Pres Em:** Not necessarily, standing orders 1 through 14/15 and 17 to rules, and the rest into standing orders

**RO Em:** Yeah let's finish this by the termly general meeting

**President:** Budget Presentation? Also, we got fined because we booked for 30 and only 23 showed up for Crew date, we lost 3 pounds deposit per person so 20 pounds loss. Do we split this with other societies? 9 of it is ours, the rest is of other societies. As to Arun paying, I will chase him up.

**Treasurer:** £254 profit, overall, we should have £700, but for some reason we only have £400. Only counts square and reaffirm through Metro

**President:** A bunch of the money we had, isn't actually ours, will discuss this later

**Pres Em:** Want to introduce Deputy RO's, do we have preferences on how to select them, RO currently selected by EC.

**RO Em:** Appointed by RO at their discretion, confirmed by close council

*The President closes the meeting of Closed Council at 18:53 GMT.*

Minuted by,

**Vee Kumar,**

The Vice President, *Worcester College*.