

## LUCY STOBIE (SHE/HER) PRESIDENT

## **CANDIDATE STATEMENT:**

HI, I'M LUCY, A FINAL-YEAR STUDENT STUDYING ENGLISH LITERATURE AND PHILOSOPHY. MY QMU JOURNEY BEGAN AS A FRESHER HELPER IN 2023. I MET INCREDIBLE PEOPLE AND HAD SUCH A POSITIVE EXPERIENCE THAT I WENT ON TO BECOME A CURRENT STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE. THIS PAST ACADEMIC YEAR, I'VE HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING AS VICE PRESIDENT BOARD OF MANAGEMENT. WITH MY EXPERIENCE AS AN EXECUTIVE MEMBER, I AM EXCITED TO RUN FOR PRESIDENT, WHERE I CAN CHANNEL MY PASSION AND DEDICATION TO FURTHER IMPROVE THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE ON THE UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW CAMPUS.

## CANDIDATE STATEMENT: BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS

- THE DESIGN UPGRADES IN JIM'S BAR HAVE GREATLY ENHANCED THE ATMOSPHERE OF OUR EVENTS. HOWEVER, OUR GAMES ROOM OFFERS A BRUTAL CONTRAST. REDESIGNING THE SPACE WITH UPDATED LIGHTING, SEATING, AND STATEMENT WALL PIECES WILL HELP US BETTER UTILISE THE GAMES ROOM WHILE CREATING A MORE COHESIVE AESTHETIC WITH THE VIBE OF JIM'S.
- I WILL ADD MORE 'GAMES' TO THE ROOM (E.G. FUSSBALL OR TABLE TENNIS), EXPANDING OUR STUDENT EVENTS.
- I WILL INCREASE THE BAR'S COMMERCIAL VALUE BY SELLING QMU MERCHANDISE SUCH AS CROC JIBBITZ, SOCKS, OR WATER BOTTLES, DISPLAYED BEHIND THE BAR. I'LL ALSO PRIORITISE SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS WITH DESIGNS THAT HONOUR OUR RICH MUSICAL HISTORY.
- I WILL SUPPORT COMMITTEE CONVENORS, INTRODUCING A BUDGET PROPOSAL FORM. THIS WILL THE EASE PRESSURE OFF OUR STUDENT VOLUNTEERS TO COVER INACCESSIBLE COSTS SUCH AS TECH CABLING, AND QUIZ PRIZES, WHILST DIGITALLY TRACKING THESE EXPENSES.
- · IMPROVE SIGNAGE FOR THE DISABLED TOILET BY MAKING DIRECTIONS VISIBLE FROM THE FOYER AND ENSURING STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS ARE TRAINED IN WHERE AND HOW TO DIRECT PEOPLE.

## **INCLUSIVITY AND ACCESSIBILITY**

- · AS A STUDENT CARER, I AM EXTREMELY PASSIONATE ABOUT THE ACCESSIBILITY OF OUR CAMPUS. I WILL IMPROVE THE QMU WEBSITE 'ACCESSIBILITY' SECTION BY REGULARLY UPDATING THE STATUS OF OUR BUILDING WITH CLEAR VISUAL MAPPING OF ACCESSIBLE AREAS. THIS WILL ALSO ALLOW SOCIETIES TO KNOW WHICH SPACES BEST SUIT THEIR NEEDS IN THE BOOKING PROCESS, ENHANCING THE INCLUSIVITY OF OUR EVENTS.
- FOLLOWING THIS, I WILL ADD AN ACCESSIBILITY FORM TO THE BOOKING SECTION OF WEBSITE WHERE STUDENTS CAN ANONYMOUSLY ENTER THEIR NEEDS, SO WE CAN PREPARE THIS IN ADVANCE OF STUDENT EVENTS. THIS WILL BE SIGN POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA BY HIGHLIGHTING THE FORM VIA OUR MAIN INSTAGRAM CHANNEL.
- CONTINUE TO QUESTION UNIVERSITY CEILING STAFF ON THE INCLUSIVITY AND ACCESSIBILITY OF OUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE, DEMANDING THIS CONVERSATION BE HAD IN PROFESSIONAL, FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS UNTIL TANGIBLE CHANGES ARE MADE AND THE CONVERSATION RESULTS IN ACTIONABLE OUTCOMES.
- FOLLOWING THE RECENT UNIVERSITY CAMPAIGN, I WILL ENSURE THAT DISABILITY HISTORY MONTH HAS A MORE PROMINENT PLACE ON OUR SOCIAL CALENDAR. WITH ENCOURAGED ENGAGEMENT FROM OUR STUDENT BOARD.
- THIS YEAR I HAVE ATTENDED THE WELFARE FORUMS LED BY THE SRC. ALTHOUGH NOT MANDATORY IN MY ROLE AS PRESIDENT, I WILL CONTINUE TO BE PRESENT AT SRC LED WELFARE FORUMS TO REMAIN ENGAGED IN THE CURRENT WELFARE CONCERNS OF OUR STUDENT BODY. CAMPAIGNS
- · AS A UNION THAT HAS BEEN "MAKING NOISE SINCE 1890", I WANT US TO BE LOUDER. I WANT TO SHOWCASE OUR OUTWARD FACING CONSTITUTIONAL POLITICS, SUCH AS FREEDOM FOR PALESTINE, DIVESTMENT IN ARMS AND PROCHOICE CAMPAIGNS.
- · I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR MORE TRANSPARENCY ON LONG TERM INVESTMENT PLANS FOR OUR BUILDING SAFETY AND PLANNED PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE (PPM) SCHEDULES FROM THE UNIVERSITY ESTATES TEAM, GIVING STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS BETTER INSIGHT INTO PROGRESS AS WELL AS HOLDING THE UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTABLE FOR UNMET COMMITMENTS. EVENTS
- · I WANT TO BUILD BIGGER WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH LARGE SOCIETIES ON CAMPUS, SUCH AS COLLABORATING WITH THE FI SOCIETY TO SHOW WATCH PARTIES. THIS WILL ALSO MEAN OPENING THE BUILDING ON A SUNDAY FOR RACE DAYS.
- · I WANT TO START A POST-FRESHERS WEEK BALL. THIS WILL BE THE FIRST BLACK TIE BALL OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR, HELPING NEW STUDENTS BRIDGE A CONNECTION TO THE BUILDING WHILE ESTABLISHING OUR LEGACY FOR ALL YEAR GROUPS TO ENGAGE IN.