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\*\*\*SRC TRANSPARENCY REPORT\*\*\*

This post provides an update on the notable developments in college and outlines what the SRC Executive Committee (Exec.) has done, collectively and as individuals, throughout Epiphany Term 2021. It focusses on the student experience at the college of St Hild and St Bede.

With the implementation of a third national lockdown shortly into January this year, it was necessary to cancel the Winter Market event that had been planned by Isobel Fox (outgoing Ball Officer) and the Ball Committee. In a similar vein, any other events that would normally occur throughout Epiphany Term, including formals, were unable to go ahead in any capacity.

There are hopes, of course, that with the government’s roadmap out of lockdown there will be the possibility for more events to take place in Easter term. Rest assured that plans are being put together for a Summer Ball, College Day, Hild Bedestock (beerfest), and the return of formals as and when these can occur. Credit to Isobel, Georgia Allison (incoming Ball Officer), Jack Rawden (outgoing Social Sec.), Hugo Bush (incoming Social Sec.), Joseph Cheadle (President), Rebecca-Amy Jackson (incoming President), Courtney Power (incoming Vice President), and many more for the work they’re doing on this front.

The Vern Bar Quiz has continued to provide a weekly source of online entertainment for SRC members to enjoy and flex their knowledge in. A massive thank you to the inimitable Jack and Hugo for keeping this running throughout the entirety of the last term.

Other notable developments comprise of:

* The ratification of Hild Bede Social Sailing Society
* The running of a ‘Caring During Covid’ by the Hild Bede Communities team
* The triennial re-ratification of the Hild Bede SRC Constitution and Standing Orders, including the approval of a number of recommended changes. Thank you to Robbie Keywood (Chairperson) and Steering Committee for completing this review.
* Four rounds of SRC Elections, resulting in the following people being selected to take up the stated roles:
* Rebecca-Amy Jackson – President
* Zoë Forbes – Postgraduate President
* Courtney Power – Vice President
* Robbie Keywood – Treasurer
* Martha Kean – Female Welfare Officer
* Jared Firth – Male Welfare Officer
* Hugo Bush – Social Secretary
* Eleanor Lowe – Sports and Societies Officer
* Sam Wildish – Communities and Liberations Officer
* Charlotte Hunter – Publicity Officer
* Angus Webb-Hammond – Technical Officer
* Georgia Allison – Ball Officer
* Ciaran Duggan – Chairperson
* Lauren Brewer – Head Freshers’ Rep
* The positions of Senior SU Rep, Environment Officer, and International Officer presently remain unfilled. Discretion over any future elections for these positions lies with the incoming Chairperson, Ciaran.

The Leazes Road Program Board is continuing to assess the potential future development opportunities for the site on which Hild Bede sits, however no concrete decisions have been made as of yet.

At present, we are unsure exactly what form a range of events in Easter term will take. Rest assured that every attempt will be made to maximise the benefits brought to SRC members, whilst ensuring that we act in a safe and responsible manner, within the confines of government and university regulations.

That’s all for this term! Any questions, please contact me at robbie.keywood@durham.ac.uk. It’s been a pleasure to serve as your SRC Chairperson this past year.

Hild Bede love xx