

Domestic Affairs Representative - Orly Welch

For anybody who hasn't met me, I'm Orly, a first year PPE student :)

I am super excited to run for domestic affairs rep and think that I would be great in the role.

I want to help put on great events and to make everyone's lives as easy as possible.



I am an approachable and diplomatic person who loves organisation and liaising (always happy to procrastinate work by doing some emailing!). As former co-chair of my school's Amnesty International forum, I have a lot of experience planning campus events.

Over the year, I have had lots of contact with the wonderful staff at St Anne's:

- I got in touch with **Accommodation** last term and successfully fought for a new freezer to replace the faulty one in our kitchen.
- I spoke with Stephen Darby about his **room ballot** survey and was very vocal in the relevant JCR meeting. I hope to make the whole process clearer and less stressful, implementing the changes suggested by the survey responses.
- After the room ballot, I contacted the **Domestic Bursar, Accommodation Office, and Treasurer** about the issue of mandatory vacation residence for those who were assigned to Winchester Road. We cleared up all miscommunication and I successfully negotiated for a solution that everyone is happy with!

I am a huge foodie and will fight for both great kitchen facilities and great **food in hall/STACS**. As a vegetarian, I was amazed by the quality and range of meals at St Anne's. However, I recognise that many people have more specific needs, and will monitor anonymous online feedback, passing it along to the caterers. One of my most-visited webpages last term was 'Dining' on the college website; I would make the online menu more specific (e.g. stating what's available at Carvery and listing the options available to those with dietary needs) and ensure that prices are available on the same page. I would also love to work with the Environment Rep and chefs to see what we can do to further improve the footprint of food at Anne's.

My love of food and organisation would come together for the **Founders' Dinner and Second Year Half-way Hall**. Formals have been some of my favourite moments at college, and I want to make these events memorable and inclusive. Emily has specified the importance of balloon arches; I would ensure that not only are they magnificent, but that all our decorations are eco-friendly!

There is absolutely NO question about my love of Christmas. I always spend the season with family in Germany, which (I would argue) has the loveliest Christmas markets, decorations, and traditions, which I would emulate when **putting up the tree**. I want to make Oxmas bigger and better, really fostering the Anne's family spirit and creating a kick-ass **Christmas Formal Hall!**

I will be more than happy to do **fridge collection/drop off** at the start and end of term; I love a good bit of admin and a chat. Also, having spent about 5 hours organising and cleaning the JCR office last term, I know how tetris-y it can get in there!

If there are ever *any* issues in the JCR or college community, I will always get involved and do my best to fix them, regardless of whether I end up on the committee or not. I am always open to any emails and suggestions, and hope that everyone is having a lovely summer xx