



**MEET THE**

**CANDIDATES**

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# WELCOME!

Welcome to the manifestos booklet for the 2023 annual Cambridge SU elections. Next academic year, the winners of these elections will be your primary student representatives, and run your Students' Union. Their manifestos are your way of deciding who you want speaking for you - so please do spend a little time reading through them and listening to what they have to say before casting your vote.

Remember that in every election, if you are not happy with any of the candidates, you may also vote to re-open nominations ("RON"). If RON wins an election, nominations for that position will be reopened and a by-election held in due course.

Voting is online via [www.cambridgesu.co.uk/vote](http://www.cambridgesu.co.uk/vote). The ballot will open at 9 am on Monday 27th February, and close at 5pm on Thursday, 2nd March. Provisional Results will be announced from 7pm on Thursday, 2nd March, with the Official Results being confirmed later.

We hope that this year's elections are enjoyable for you, and that you can engage with them as much as possible!

## THE DEMOCRACY COMMITTEE

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Returning Officer: Artem Khovanov

Chair of Exec: Amelia Jabry

Democracy Committee Members: Archie McCann and Jasper Ostle

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## WHAT ARE STV ELECTIONS?

Under STV (Single Transferable Vote), voters rank candidates in order of preference by marking 1, 2, 3 and so on next to the names of candidates on a ballot. A voter can rank as many or as few candidates as they like or just vote for one candidate.

Each candidate needs a minimum number of votes to be elected. This number is calculated according to the number of positions and votes cast and is called a quota. The first preference votes for each candidate are added up and any candidate who has achieved this quota is elected.

If a candidate has more votes than are needed to fill the quota, that candidate's surplus votes are transferred to the remaining candidates. Votes that would have gone to the winner instead go to the second preference listed on those ballot papers.

If candidates do not meet the quota, the candidate with the fewest first preference votes is eliminated and the second preference votes are transferred to other candidates. These processes are repeated until all the seats are filled.

The winner is the candidate who reaches the 'quota' first.

The quota for each of these elections is 50%+1 of all the votes cast in that ballot.

## STAGES OF COUNTING

1. First preference votes counted
2. If no-one reaches the quota, last-place candidate is eliminated
3. The second preferences of voters who chose that candidate are redistributed among those remaining
4. This continues, if necessary repeating these steps, until someone reaches the quota





# **CANDIDATES ARE LISTED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER**

## **Access, Education & Participation Officer (UG)**

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## **Access, Education & Participation Officer (PG)**

Anastasia Perysinakis

## **President (UG)**

Eve Blain

Fergus Kirman

## **President (PG)**

Vareesh Pratap

## **Welfare & Community Officer**

Harvey Brown

Katie Lane

## **Mature Students' Officer (voluntary)**

Ekene Clair Agbim

## **University Councillor (voluntary)**

Noah Rouse

Sam Carling

Sam Hutton

Vareesh Pratap



# VOTE CARE DIG

NO STUDENT LEFT BEHIND.



Your Next UG Access & Admissions Officer

## WHY ME?

3 1/2 years dedicated to access and education work at Cambridge:  
• Magdalene JCR Access & Academic Officer and Treasurer.  
• School of Technology SU rep.  
• Cambassador.

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### Bursaries:

No change in £3,500 max since its inception.

#### I will:

- increase Cambridge bursary funding to bridge college funding inequality.
- Push for funding to increase with inflation.

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### Accessible Education:

The university continues to push back on accessible education measures, eg. universal lecture recordings.

#### I will push for:

- Universal lecture recordings.
- Implementing the reading week.
- Requiring departments to consult with academic reps on exam strategies.

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### Better SU Access Provision:

SU access provision has declined sharply since the merger & pandemic.

#### I pledge to:

- Introduce a student-led Access campaign.
- Campaign to increase SU access provision.
- Lay the groundwork for future access.

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### Fossil Fuel-Free Education:

Oil companies pay departments to greenwash their image, and deliver lectures to students directly.

#### I commit to:

- Stopping oil companies from hijacking our education & banning them from teaching at our university.
- Ensuring all lecturers can speak freely on the actions of fossil fuel companies.





27th Feb -  
2nd March!

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@anastasiaforpgaccess



# ANASTASIA PERYSINAKIS

FOR PG ACCESS, EDUCATION,  
& PARTICIPATION OFFICER



## ABOUT ME:

- MPhil **Bioscience Enterprise** student (**mature**)
- MEng **Chemical Engineering** graduate
- **1st gen economic migrant** with **ADHD**
- **Founded award-winning chronic care company**
- **10+ yrs as care worker & carer of disabled brother**

### *Policy Experience:*

- **Consulted UK gov on social care policy** as CEO
- **International Public Policy Manager** (European Young Engineers)
- N.Ireland **Enterprise Policy Panellist**
- N. Ireland **pro-choice & equal marriage activist**

### *At University:*

- **President (Queen's Consulting, QUB Enactus)**
- **Cambridge Commercial Negotiations Team**
- **Cambridge University Rugby Union Player**

**EXPERIENCE-DRIVEN,  
SOLUTION-BASED,  
STUDENT-CENTRED  
ACCESSIBILITY.**

## MISSION:

### 1. ACCESS TO **FINANCE**

- Guaranteed **0% college loans to cover missed PhD funding distribution** deadlines
- **Grants > reimbursements** (slow finance depts impact cash flow)
- **Deferred entry for Masters' places** dropped due to funding



### 2. ACCESS TO **EDUCATION**

- **Guaranteed remote learning access option** via the ADRC (eg through streaming)
- Continue work to **improve PhD supervisions** w/ standardised training & better accountability

### 3. ACCESS TO **WELFARE**

- **Develop comprehensive policy for culturally sensitive welfare signposting** (e.g. religion/gender based sexual & mental health pathways)
- **Streamline service directories**
- Develop action **pathway to tackle isolation in widening participation groups** (target both integration and community cluster development)



**SCAN  
ME!**

Questions?



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# EVE

# BLAIN

## BeliEVE in your next SU president !

Hi! I'm Eve, a third-year historian at Queens'. I use any pronouns. I'm running for undergraduate SU president because I want to make the university a place which supports its students, staff members, and sets an ethical example to the rest of the world. I am currently co-chair of the SU Ethical Affairs campaign, and I used to co-chair the Labour Club. I am involved in campaigning for various activist groups, and have recently helped with campaigns for trans rights at the university, protests against fossil fuel investments, and strike support. In my roles I have organised speaker events, protests, and learnt more about student bureaucracy and councils than I'd care to admit. I love talking to people, and working with others to make social change within the university and beyond.

### As president I will:

#### Address the awarding gap

I will talk to marginalised student groups about the academic challenges they face, both in learning and in assessment. I will create opt-in student support networks for those facing similar problems to share advice. I will work with the university to address the problems faced, with a base demand that the university supply all students with lecture recordings, and implement the reading week mandated by students last year.

#### Lobby for more support for students through the Cost of Living Crisis

I will lobby for rent and bills caps for those living in college, as well as continuing to fight for a cost of living support fund.

#### Campaign against university investments in fossil fuels and arms

The disappointing net zero targets made by the university set an equally disappointing global precedent. I will lobby for:

- The hastening of the University's divestment from fossil fuels, such as through the Schlumberger Out! campaign
- A halt to the acceptance of funding from fossil fuel and arms companies
- The removal of ties to fossil fuel and arms companies through the University Careers Service
- The switch of college and JCR funds to ethical banks or building societies

#### Support all university staff

I will ensure ongoing support for UCU, especially in light of their recent successes in securing negotiations with the university. I will also fight for a living wage for all non-academic staff across the university, which is only currently paid by one college.

#### Improve clarity on SU projects and their progress

I'll do weekly video updates, as well as sending out short SU bulletins to JCRs to distribute in their own newsletters, as well as continuing the newsletters already in place. I want the SU to become a bigger part of student life in Cambridge, and to be seen as an force for good which accurately represents student views and concerns.

Thanks for reading my manifesto ! See <https://linktr.ee/eve4su> for more information about my campaign and causes.





# FERGUS

For an SU that does more for you



## Why am I running?

Hi! I'm **Fergus** (he/him), and I'm running to be your **SU President**. I've spent the last year listening to JCRs and MCRs, and I know the SU can make a **real difference**. At the same time, I've **held it to account** for its mistakes. Last month, I **called the SU out for the data problem** that affected thousands of students and breached the trust of LGBT+ students like me. I've also worked hard at Christ's JCR, implementing **free prescriptions**, **abolishing bop entry fees**, and **halving the price of gowns**. I will bring competent, experienced leadership to deliver **ambitious policies** – that I've proven work – and will **improve students' day-to-day lives**.

## My Action Plan

### Tackle health inequality

Launch a scheme like I did at Christ's to **make NHS prescriptions free**.  
Pressure Colleges to create a pooled fund for **student dental care**.

### More resources for Uni societies

Overhaul the societies funding structure to make it more **transparent** and **easier to navigate**.  
Create an **SU Bar**, and make **room booking easier** for societies.

### Better bursaries & financial support

Campaign for the Cambridge Bursary to **rise with inflation**: it's lost 18% of its value since being introduced.  
Extend the West Hub **lunch subsidy** across the Uni.

### Welfare & workload reform

Campaign for Colleges to **standardise intermission**, and to guarantee offering **counselling and accommodation** to students intermitting.  
Make exam and teaching **adjustments more accessible**.

### Climate action

Push Colleges to **expand on-site renewable energy**, reducing energy costs and rents.  
Hold the University to its **divestment and net-zero** commitments.

### Demand tuition fee refunds

Fight for **tuition fee refunds** for teaching **disrupted** by strikes.

## Experience

SU Council Chair  
(2022-2023)

Christ's JCR Treasurer  
(2021-2023)

Research Lead –  
Legacies of Enslavement  
at Christ's (2022)



I've listened to students and I **will** deliver results

# Fergus Kirman

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# Vote Harvey for Welfare and Community!

I'm Harvey (he/him), a final-year English student and community organiser. The problems created by this university can't be solved by one person. I hope, however, that I can use this role to **give students the time and space to fight for the causes which matter to all of us**. If we are all able to fight for our causes, we can collectively make the university a **kinder, greener place to live and work**.

Get in touch at [hmr3@cam.ac.uk](mailto:hmr3@cam.ac.uk).



## Fighting for rest

\*Demand a **reading week** by Michaelmas '24.

\*Create tools for mapping and reporting **unsustainable workloads** across the university.

\*Fight for increased support for **intermitting students**.

\*Support **UCU Four Fights** and Justice for College Supervisors Campaign.

## Shared and safe spaces

\*Restore **access to all colleges for all students** during daylight hours.

\*Explore using university land to tackle **inequality and homelessness** in the city.

\*Work to **improve lighting** in the city.

\*Codify in SU and university constitutions **a duty of care** towards the city.

\*Improve **biodiversity and public access** on university land.

\*Support community organisations **fighting transphobia, racism, misogyny and ableism** in the university and the city.

## Democracy and participation

\*Distribute a 'Disorientation Guide' to all students and increase awareness of **community work and welfare resources**.

\*Work with student societies towards a **fossil free and arms free research policy** for the university.

\*Make the **SU more student-facing and accountable** to the student body.

\*Host **regular forums for students** to develop these ideas, starting during this campaign.

## Space for each other, time for ourselves.

# KATIE LANE

## For Welfare and Community Officer

### ABOUT ME:

My name is Katie (she/her), I'm currently in my third year studying sociology and social anthropology. I've been one of the **Girton JCR welfare officers** for the past year, as well as the **president of Girton's feminist society**.

The **Strategic Review of Mental Health** and the **Intermission Report** have given us data and evidence to use in order to **campaign to the university** for better support for **mental, physical and social well-being** for **all** members of the Cambridge community, and it is my goal to ensure that this extends to **current students, intermitting students** and **non-students**.



### WELFARE POLICIES

#### Standardizing basic welfare provisions:

**Working with the new heads of well-being** that have started at many colleges this year, I would look to **create a standardized baseline for the welfare provisions offered by colleges**, in order to ensure all students feel they are being adequately supported, regardless of the college they attend.

I will **collaborate with JCR/MCR welfare officers** on this project, using existing channels such as **welfare forum**. I will also **expand this collaboration** to include **JCR/MCR liberation officers** in order to ensure policies reflect an **intersectional approach** to welfare provisions.

#### Tackling loneliness:

I will look to host **SU-based events**, which provide **inclusive spaces** for all students to **socialise, take a break from work and meet people from other colleges/subjects**.

I will also **promote** events hosted by **university wide societies**, as well as events hosted in the **local Cambridge community** more generally.

#### Support for intermitting students:

I would look to give more support to intermitting students, including more **transparency** about the intermission process, **concrete timeframes** for hearing about stages of intermission and **continued support for welfare and wellbeing** during the intermission period

#### University Reading Week:

I will support the **University reading week campaign**, that will not only help **prevent student burn out** ("the week 5 blues") but will also allow students to engage in other activities that **support positive well-being**

"**Making sure your well-being comes before your work**"

### COMMUNITY POLICIES

#### Supporting students

In light of the intermission report, I will campaign for **continued accommodation support for intermitting students**

The cost of living crisis has and will continue to impact many students, and so I will campaign for **equal access to financial support** across colleges, as students should not be financially disadvantaged as a result of the college they attend

#### Decolonising the University:

My campaign to continue the work to decolonise the university involves not only working towards **expansive, critical and reflexive curriculums**, but also involves considering how the **university supports students building skills and knowledge outside** of their **academic** pursuits.

#### Living-wage campaign:

Continuing on from the work of the current Welfare and Community officer, I will fight to ensure that colleges are committed to paying the **updated living-wage** to all low-paid workers.

#### Caring for the non-student population:

I will continue the SU commitment to supporting student involvement in **anti-homelessness projects**, and other community organisations



# EKENE

## CLAIR AGBIM

### Mature students deserve responsive representation to support their varied needs.

I've been honoured to be mature student rep elected into position in Michaelmas. During that time I've joined messaging platforms that Cambridge university mature students are represented in, and been present on site within Cambridge, visiting different colleges to engage in face to face discussions with mature students, about what may benefit you, and overwhelmingly the response has been drops in meet ups to congregate as a cohesive whole. This was one of my aims in my previous manifesto. In time for next term I will create the first student led for students drop in virtual meeting space for mature students. You can air views, discuss successes over the year, share struggles, and directly engage on what can benefit your remaining time.

Being the mature student rep is a unique position. It brings together mature students so me of which live abroad (undertaking part time courses), some who are doing postgraduate qualifications, but also mature students doing their first undergraduate degree, and having their initial experience of Cambridge university.

I'm lucky to have communication skills afforded me by my professional work as a doctor, being previous part-time rep, but also my other leadership roles outside of the university within medicine, which brings people together who are unified by one thing but outside of that are uniquely different. This gives me the skills to encourage engagement around what we have in common (mature student status) and within that make other competing interests which may be work, family, or just having a first time university experience, easier.

Cambridge university terms are short and intense. There is a lot of demand on us students. There can be a paucity of opportunities to engage in a more informal setting that is created for students by students.

I've been massively impressed by the skills and commitment that mature students in Cambridge have, and believe that the university as a whole can benefit from them. I'd like to work on whether this cohort of mature university students have an appetite to be part of a buddying system, that can be peer to peer but also post grad to under grad, between mature students. This could in the case of undergrad to post grad improve future employment prospects if fitted with someone within an industry that the mature undergrad student would like to get into.

**My plans if I'm elected again include:**

1. Creating the first mature student drop in sessions virtually as requested by the mature student body
2. Consider buddying schemes between mature post graduate students who have particular talents/experiences with mature undergraduates to better unite the entire student population, but also provide scope for direct peer to peer support in industries of interest.
3. Find the challenges that matter to mature students and construct policy to help remedy them. This can be helped through drop in sessions
4. Build an open, inclusive line of communication between the mature student population and the student union

Wishing you all the very best university experience, Ekene





# NOAH ROUSE

## For University Councillor

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I am running for University Council because I believe that we can make Cambridge a better environment for students, staff and the wider population of the city. This can be achieved by properly representing the needs of the entire student body: I will focus on listening to those from marginalised groups, student organisations and people not already involved in student politics.



I will:

### Make our Student Voice Heard.

- Regularly engage with students and student organisations in order to **advocate for practical, deliverable change** that serves the collective student interest.
- Push the university to **make student welfare central** to its decisions and recognise where it has failed to do this.
- Work to alleviate the mounting pressures of the cost of living crisis.

### Advocate for Climate Justice.

- Push for the **vote on rejecting funding from fossil fuel companies** to happen by the end of Michaelmas 2023. I will make sure that the university sets out a clear and specific plan of how it will respond to the results of the vote.
- Ensure that the university does not shirk from its responsibility to reduce scope 1, 2 and 3 carbon emissions and its 'net zero' divestment plan.
- Work with the council to encourage the University to seriously consider how the University can **play a role in creating a better society** and explore how this can be made constitutional.

### Increase Accountability and Transparency.

- Increase transparency around how the council operates and how the decisions it makes affect the university body, especially students and staff.
- Push for University management to evidence plans to practically **engage with the UCU and striking workers** and ensure that the ongoing dispute is brought to an end that benefits students and staff.
- Focus on pushing the university to **increase transparency regarding all of its funding partnerships**. The university must explain how the money it receives is being used and act on any potential conflicting interests.

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Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions on what I could do to make you feel better represented: [nr505@cam.ac.uk](mailto:nr505@cam.ac.uk)





RE-ELECT

# SAM CARLING

As University Councillor

## Why am I restanding?

Being the University Councillor is a huge responsibility - scrutinising the leadership of both the university and the SU to hold them to account and deliver for students and staff.

### In the role so far, I have:

- Fought for better street lighting along routes to student accommodation, proposals for which the County Council will soon consider.
- Changed the rules around all-staff cost of living bonuses for the future, so that those on the lowest salaries will be given the most.
- Exposed the leaking of students' self-id data by the SU, and spearheaded setup of an inquiry to get justice for students.
- Created links between the university and wider Cambridge community, such as by promoting apprenticeship programmes.

## Experience

- As a **JCR President**, I negotiated a real-terms rent cut for students at my college. **I'm used to cutting past change-blocking tactics.**
- As a **City Councillor**, I am building bridges between the university and city to support climate action and community cohesion.
- As the **current University Councillor**, I know how things work and am in the best possible position to hit the ground running and deliver.

**Please support me to continue being your independent voice in our university.**

## More Power For JCRs and MCRs

Most students find JCRs and MCRs more approachable and more reflective of our priorities than the SU, but they have next to no representation in the university. **I will work to increase the influence of JCRs and MCRs in our university's central governance.**

## Tackling Rents and Contracts

Rents are rising and remain vastly different across colleges, as do the lengths of contract given. Some colleges only offer nine months or longer, leaving students with bills over **£10,000** each year. **I am pushing for university-wide limits to increase fairness for all students.**

## Pressing for Climate Action

I will continue to keep climate action a top priority. We need action now, not distant future targets - which is why **I will push for full implementation of recommendations from the ongoing review into our research funding in relation to the climate crisis.**

## Supporting Our Staff

I am proud to have supported progressive improvements to how the university pays staff in my term so far. **If re-elected, I will continue to stand with staff - fighting against precarious employment contracts and restoring funds cut from pensions.**

**Vote from 9am on Monday 27th Feb to 5pm on Thursday 2nd March, on the SU website!**





# SAM HUTTON

## FOR UNIVERSITY COUNCILLOR

### ABOUT ME

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Hi! I'm Sam (any pronouns), a second year Earth Sciences student at Selwyn. I've been involved in activist organising since I arrived in Cambridge, campaigning hard for **Climate Justice, LGBTQ rights and Trans Liberation**. I have experience within the **SU** as an **Academic Rep** for Physical Sciences, but am most proud of what I have achieved as part of **grassroots organising**.

### POLICIES

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#### Supporting Activism

- Push through **new radical policy** supported by J/MCRs and campaigning groups, especially for climate, decolonisation and LGBTQ policy.
- **Liase directly with activist groups** about important decisions that are being made in council; helping campaigning to be more targeted and effective.
- Help **mitigate strike impact** on students by pushing for clear guidelines and messaging for faculties.

#### Transparency

- Publish **public monthly summaries** of the important issues in Council; making governance more accessible.
- Fight for the **release and regular publication of more information and statistics** concerning fossil fuel funding and sustainability, as well as corporate partnerships.
- Pair the **Regent's House ballots** with **more** (non-binding) **votes from student groups** to help give a say to both the broader academic and student community.

#### Radical Climate Policy

- **Stop delays in Climate Policy**; campaign for the Fossil Free Research grace to go to Regent's House.
- Hold University **to account about divestment promises** and criticise any partnership with organisations actively engaged in new fossil fuel infrastructure.
- Use my connection to climate activism in Cambridge to keep **new campaigns and policies** on the table, and **constantly remind the council of the need for action**.

### MY PRIORITIES

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**The climate crisis is the most urgent issue facing humanity.**

The University Council continues to push **delay tactics** against important policy. I am running to help keep climate on the agenda, through campaigns such as **Fossil Free Research**, Fossil Free Careers and holding the university to account on divestment promises. **The University has a real chance to be leaders in sustainability, but only if action is taken now.**

I also care deeply about how **transparent** the University Council is. Most students don't know how the Regent's House and the Council interact, and especially **don't know how to make their voice heard by the university**. This is bad for being able to hold your elected officers and the academics on University Council to account, and also limits participation in SU and Uni governance.

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Contact me if you have any questions or suggestions! (or if you just want to chat about Sci-Fi or Veganism!)

# VAREESH

# PRATAP

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## RE-OPEN NOMINATIONS

If you are not happy with any of the current candidates standing for election, you can vote to Re-Open Nominations (RON). RON appears on the ballot and votes for RON are counted in the same way as those for candidates. If RON is declared the winner after all votes have been counted, the election will be held again. The original candidates are allowed to run again in the new ballot, but it gives the opportunity for new candidates to run.

If nominations are re-opened for one of the sabbatical positions, or a University Council position, then a new cross-campus election for those positions will be held in Easter Term.

## WHY VOTE RON?

Voters may choose to vote RON for one of the following reasons:

- They do not think any of the available candidates should be elected.
- They would rather have more choice and be able to select from a greater number of candidates (not a guaranteed outcome).
- They have already ranked some candidates, but feel that none of the remaining candidates should be elected.

You do not need to vote for RON in an election, so if you think all of the candidates are better than no candidate, don't put a number next to RON on your ballot!

# TIMELINE

**MON, 27 FEBRUARY**

voting opens  
(at 9am)

**THU, 2 MARCH**

voting closes  
(at 5pm)



**TUES, 28 FEBRUARY**  
hustings  
(at 6pm)

**THU, 2 MARCH**  
results announcement  
(at 7pm)



# RESULTS PARTY!

Join us to find out who will  
be leading your su next year!

Thursday 2nd March | 7pm - 9pm

SU Lounge (University Centre)



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# VOTE NOW

[cambridgesu.co.uk/vote](https://cambridgesu.co.uk/vote)

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and closes at 5pm on Thursday, 2nd March.

