

# Tom Newton for MCR Vice-President



## Who am I?

- First year PhD in Engineering
- Cambridge undergrad at St. John's
- JCR President in 2017 and Yearbook Officer in 2016
- John's Engineering Society President in 2016

## Why would I be a good VP?

**Experience** – I have significant experience coordinating and getting the best out of a committee. *Oversaw the most competitive JCR election for years after being President, due to the successes and engagement achieved by my committee.*

**Commitment** – I always give my all to any role I hold, and am willing to take on extra. *Acted as JCR Secretary for 3 months when the role was left vacant.*

**Approachable** – Happy to talk to all members of the MCR to ensure your views and ideas are represented. *Conducted the largest survey of student opinions ever run at John's, on accommodation ballot methods, with over 300 responses.*

## What ideas do I have for the MCR?

**Reform MCR elections** – Make a number of positions have a 6 month term from Jan–Jun / Jul–Dec to allow more Masters to be on the MCR, and increase the commitment of the committee whilst serving, due to the reduced term.

**Introduce an MCR fresher's app** – Transform the existing MCR Welcome Booklet into an app, to increase engagement and allow for features such as reminder notifications for fresher's events.

**Regular newsletter email** – Introduce a fortnightly newsletter to update MCR members on committee work, upcoming events, college sport scores etc.