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I'm Jury (he/him) a first-year studying philosophy. I'm trans and gay, and have personal experience transitioning in Cambridge. I'm also on the CUSU LGBTQ+ Ents subcommittee.

I'm genuinely concerned with supporting LGBTQ+ students in Peterhouse, and ensuring the space remains a safe and welcoming one. I want to push for better resources for trans students in college, and for more accessible events. As someone who's been a fresher a couple of times now (due to intermitting) I know first-hand how hard it can be to feel like you're a part of the LGBTQ+ community in Cambridge.

I want to:

- establish clear guidelines for the college to better assist transitioning students
- produce a support document for LGBTQ+ students at Peterhouse
 - It would include information about changing your name/CRSid/ email on Cambridge systems (already decently documented) and in Peterhouse specifically (less so – think changing name plates for rooms, and on pidges). No matter how straightforward it might look in theory it's very much not in practice.
 - Other things I'd like to include would be things like how to go about making arrangements for transition-related surgeries during (or outside of) term, and arranging reasonable accommodations for exams on the basis of such.
 - Contact details for support for questioning LGBTQ+ students, or those dealing with internalised homophobia/transphobia/etc, and clear guidelines for reporting instances of LGBTQ+phobia and harassment in college.
- look into arranging some kind of support for students unable to access transition-specific resources
 - There are a variety of reasons why students might not have access to binders, packers, breast forms and so on. I'm sure there's some way this could be at least partially funded.
- ensure that LGBTQ+ events across the wider university are less intimidating
 - I want to organise more group trips, or try to work out a system so students who wouldn't feel comfortable going alone to events can go together.
 - Having at least one outing to Glitterbomb aimed at freshers/people who haven't previously engaged in that side of the LGBTQ+ scene in Cambridge would help a lot with this.
- support/assist in the organisation of events for less well-represented groups within the LGBTQ+ community
 - There is a noticeable deficit of events specifically for wlw, for example - I'd like to help coordinate more, with people from the relevant communities.
- arrange sporting events that aren't gender-specific/are specifically aimed at LGBTQ+ students
 - I know there's a gender neutral boat being organised as a university-wide thing, but it's really difficult to get involved in sports when they're so often segregated into male/female teams. I'm not convinced we could establish much in the way of actual non-gendered teams, but at the very least it should be possible to arrange one-off events!