

## Danny Smith - Charities Rep

I am standing for the position of charities rep with a view to:

- improving Catz involvement in the many opportunities for hands on volunteering around Oxford by raising awareness within, remaining on top of as many opportunities across the university and town as possible so as to be able to consult people interested in getting involved, and by being visible and willing to discuss and promote opportunities.
- improving and fostering relationships with Catz nominated charity and Emilie's Charities with whom we have a long standing relationship. I will be looking to engage more closely with them, and look to get any interested people more directly involved.
- improving fundraising within Catz. I will maintain and seek to further promote popular events run within the JCR such as the Blind Date, whilst I hope to work closely with other members of the JCR committee to raise more funds and get people more engaged at other events that this year have not been specified for fundraising.
- supporting and raising awareness of individual charitable projects undertaken by members of the JCR.
- working hard as part of the new JCR committee, and ensure Catz opinions and ideas are expressed in the wider Oxford scene as part of the inter college RAG initiative.

I have extensive experience working and volunteering within the not-for-profit sector both within Oxford at the 'Gatehouse' homeless shelter, in the UK with a charity in my hometown providing transport to the elderly and disabled, and abroad with Catz current nominated charity, Star of the Sea School, amongst other projects. I am enthusiastic about improving the 'charity' side of the JCR, and enjoy organising and co-ordinating events central to the role.

I look forward to answering any questions at the husts on Sunday evening!

