

UJS Conference 2019 Motions

Community

Motion Title: CO1 It's Time for Urgency, There's a Climate Emergency!

Proposer's name: Nathan Boroda

Proposer's J-Soc: Warwick

Seconder's name: Sally Patterson

Seconder's J-Soc: Cambridge

What's the idea?

1. The world is facing a climate and ecological crisis.
2. The leading scientific community at the UN has warned in the IPCC Special Report - Global Warming of 1.5°C the existential threat to human life and stable modern civilisation posed by exceeding 1.5°C of global temperature increase to 2°C.
- 3 . We have 11 years left to make the changes necessary to prevent the catastrophic effects of at least a 2°C rise from becoming an inevitable and irreversible reality
4. Rapid and decisive action is needed in all areas of society to meet these targets.
5. The impacts of climate change will hit the underprivileged the hardest. 6. Several universities (usually beginning with the SU), over 40 local councils and UK Parliament have already declared a climate emergency.
6. UJS has an important role in enabling Jewish students to take action to protect their future.

How do you want it to happen?

1. For UJS to publicly declare a climate emergency
2. For UJS to raise awareness of the emergency and create a point for discussion and act as a body of support of this global issue

Motion Title: CO2 Antisemitism Motion

Proposer's name: Etan Feingold

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Jacob Jackson

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham Trent

What's the idea?

Work with the CST and other providers including local authorities to set up a side committee in the UJS and go into local school to universities and educate children through work shops and tutorials on why antisemitism is unacceptable in society.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should hold a meeting with stakeholders including the CST about the logistics of offering training to Jewish students to go into their local non-Jewish schools.
2. UJS will initiate contact with local authorities to assess the viability of going into schools.
3. Upon the authorisation from local authorities about this, preparations will be made for resources and logistics including human resources.

Motion Title: CO3 UJS to Support a Grad Tax

Proposer's name: Josh Lee

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Anthony Bolchover

Seconder's J-Soc: Birmingham

What's the idea?

1. Policy was passed last year at conference which mandates UJS to Campaign for free education and that it should be funded by "Imposing serious taxes on the incomes, inheritance and capital gains of the rich and taking the banks, and their wealth, under democratic control."
2. Free Education would mean the entire society would be forced to pay for the few to have university education. This would mean a person who has not been to university paying so others can attend. Even though graduates have a higher average income than non -graduates.
3. Free education would allow less students the opportunity to continue their study to higher education.
4. Free education would cost billions of pounds which could be better spent to support important public services such as the NHS.
5. A graduate tax allows for the best of both worlds. A graduate tax would mean any student can study without the worries of debt.
6. Graduates would start paying the costs of their university tuition when they start earning. This would mean only those gaining from university education would pay for it.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should repeal motion CA3 Free Education from active policy
2. UJS should actively campaign for a graduate tax system to replace the current tuition fee system
3. UJS should educate students on the benefits of a graduate tax over free education through social media posts and videos
4. UJS should release a statement announcing support for this policy.

Motion Title: CO4 UJS – the voice of Jewish students, not the voice of Brexit Advocacy

Proposer's name: Ben Freeman

Proposer's J-Soc: Manchester

Seconder's name: Zak Wagman

Seconder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

1. Brexit is a divisive issue, with the country undoubtedly split on the path the UK should take
2. People on both sides of the debate are incredibly passionate about their stance
3. UJS is the representative body of Jewish students and for the most part should focus on lobbying on Jewish issues
4. A motion passed at UJS Conference in 2018 called for UJS to support a second referendum
5. Since UJS Conference 2018, UJS has advocated for a second referendum, alienating Jewish students who voted Leave and those who do not want a second referendum
6. UJS' stance on Brexit falls out of line with its neutrality on most British political issues which don't directly affect Jewish students

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should change its stance on Brexit to a neutral one, recognising that Jewish students are split on this issue.
2. UJS should lobby the government for the right of European students to study in the UK and for UK students to study in Europe.

Motion Title: CO5 Helping Refugees

Proposer's name: Nathan Boroda

Proposer's J-Soc: Warwick

Seconder's name: Sally Patterson

Seconder's J-Soc: Cambridge

What's the idea?

1. UJS must continue its commitment to the refugee crisis.
2. In recent years we have seen a sharp rise in xenophobia and racist attacks against immigrant communities of all creeds and colours, and the shutting down of borders across the Western world. Thousands die trying to cross the Mediterranean, or sit languishing in refugee camps in inhospitable places, or are imprisoned without charge or trial in detention centres. As Jews, we know what it means to be immigrants and refugees, our most important religious and cultural stories are about being refugees and “economic migrants”, both in the ancient and recent past.
3. The passing down of memory is a Jewish tradition stronger than any other; it is the thing that draws a contiguous line from Moses to the Medieval diaspora to us, today. If we forget the lessons of our history, if we fail to welcome and..
- 4... love the stranger as the Torah commands us (אֶת־תַּגְּיֵה:אֹרֶךְ הַיָּמִים תִּמְצֵא: You shall love the stranger ((Exodus 22:20;23:9. Numbers 9:14;15:16)), then we have failed ourselves and our forebears.
5. In light of this, the UJS should be a voice for migrant solidarity and equal rights for everyone in this country regardless of where they came from or under what circumstances.

How do you want it to happen?

1. To work with World Jewish Relief on efforts to raise awareness of the refugee crisis; for J-Socs to raise awareness of the refugee crisis on campus. As part of this UJS will raise awareness of the Jewish immigrant and refugee experience, appropriately around Pesach time.

Motion Title: CO6 In Solidarity with Hindu, Sikh and Jain Communities

Proposer's name: Anthony Bolchover

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Seconder's name: Josh Lee

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham

What's the idea?

1. Unfortunately, anti-Sikh and anti-Hindu rhetoric has recently increased in certain quarters of British society, particularly in areas where anti-Semitism has taken root also.
2. The Hindu & Sikh communities provide us with a great example of aspiration and highlight the best of British diversity. Therefore, it should come as a great shame to all of us that they feel threatened.
3. On the 26th November, the Hindu Council of the UK released a letter in support of the Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis' article. As well as showing much appreciated solidarity towards the Chief Rabbi and the Jewish people, the organisation also expressed concerns about racism against their own communities.
4. The Council referred to the increasingly anti-Hindu hostility within certain radical Islamist extremist groups. However, it also referred to their concerns surrounding similar rhetoric that is gaining popularity and traction within the Labour Party.
5. The Labour leadership, including Jeremy Corbyn, have released very one-sided anti-India statements in relation to the recent developments in Jammu and Kashmir. This has only exacerbated already deep-seated tensions that exist between different ethnic communities in the UK. They say that Jeremy Corbyn has 'remained silent' as anti-Hindu and anti-India sentiment has become endemic throughout the party.
6. Additionally, many individuals in the Sikh Community also feel let down by their historic political home. Jas Athwal, the leader of Redbridge Council, was on track to become Labour's prospective candidate in the Ilford South constituency. However, at the last minute party bosses decided to take disciplinary action against Mr Athwal, in what many described as a 'political stitch-up.' In a statement, the Sikhs for Labour group said: "Does Labour still have a space for Sikhs

How do you want it to happen?

1. These communities have shown support and solidarity during the Jewish community's time of need and been strong allies. Therefore, it is only right that we reciprocate this gesture when they also feel threatened by racism.
2. UJS should strive to reach out to the Hindu and Sikh communities in the future. These particularly include, but are not limited to, the National Hindu Students' Forum (UK) and the British Organisation of Sikh Students.

Motion Title: CO7 Cutting ties with the Labour Party

Proposer's name: Ben Freeman

Proposer's J-Soc: Manchester

Seconder's name: Anthony Bolchover

Seconder's J-Soc: Birmingham

What's the idea?

1. For several years, the Jewish community has feared a perceived culture of antisemitism within the Labour Party presided over by Jeremy Corbyn.
2. Polls have shown that 85% of British Jewry believe Jeremy Corbyn to be personally antisemitic and 40% of British Jewry have considered leaving the United Kingdom if Jeremy Corbyn is elected Prime Minister.
3. Chief Rabbi Ephraim Mirvis has written in the Times newspaper that 'the Labour leadership have hounded parliamentarians, members and even staff out of the party for challenging anti-Jewish racism' and that 'the way in which the [Labour] leadership has dealt with anti-Jewish racism is incompatible with the British values of which we are so proud'.
4. The Union of Jewish Students (UJS) has a long and proud history of standing up to racism and antisemitism, and UJS is grounded in the values of social justice, tolerance and equality.
5. It is precisely because of UJS' values that it must follow the example of Chief Rabbi Mirvis and take a stand against the Labour Party.
6. The Labour Party is now the only party in history, other than the fascist British National Party, to be investigated for racism by the Equalities and Human Rights Commission.
7. UJS has a long history of passing motions which campaign against and condemn specific, political parties which indulge in racism; namely UJS conference motions 'CA5 Strengthening UJS' commitment to fighting hate speech on campus' (passed 2018) and 'Partner with European Jewish Student Unions to Combat Anti-Semitism on the Continent & Oppose the BNP' (passed 2013) which both condemn and call for campaigns against the fascist British National Party.

How do you want it to happen?

1. The Union of Jewish Students (UJS) should officially cut any and all ties with the Labour Party and all its associated institutions, associations and organisations, save for the Jewish Labour Movement.
2. UJS should officially announce this policy by way of a press release to be drafted and published no later than 4pm on Monday 16th December 2019.
3. Immediately upon its publication, the aforementioned press release cited in paragraph 2 above should be circulated by the Chief Executive, the President and the Campaigns Organiser to media outlets constituting the national and Jewish communal press.
4. The aforementioned press release cited in paragraph 2 above should make specific mention of the fact that the political culture of the Labour Party and its young activists threatens and intimidates Jewish students, who are made to worry about their physical and mental safety on campus and in general life.
5. Officers, elected officials, trustees and staff members of UJS ('UJS Officials') shall refuse to take part and shall be forbidden from taking part in any meeting with any elected official or official representative of the Labour Party ('Labour Representatives') save for the individuals cited in paragraph 6 below.
6. The Labour Representatives with whom UJS Officials shall be permitted to meet are as follows:
 - a) Ruth Smeeth;
 - b) Stella Creasy;
 - c) Margaret Hodge;
 - d) Harriet Harman;
 - e) Margaret Beckett;
 - f) Sadiq Khan;
 - g) Any member of the Jewish Labour Movement. collectively the 'Exceptions.'
7. The aforementioned list of Exceptions in paragraph 6 above shall be amended by the President at their sole and absolute discretion if in exceptional circumstances they deem a meeting with any other Labour Representatives to be in the strict interests of Jewish students.

8. The provisions of paragraphs 6 and 7 shall not apply to any Labour Representatives who are members of the Shadow Cabinet or the Cabinet.
9. Any permitted meeting with Labour Representatives shall be held in private and shall not be publicised by UJS on social media or otherwise.
10. Any permitted meetings with Labour Representatives shall be arranged in the capacity of the Labour Representatives as occupants of public office rather than as members or officials of the Labour Party.
11. UJS Representatives shall be forbidden from taking part in any meeting with Labour Representatives, even in a personal capacity, unless they obtain the written permission of the President no later than 5 working days before the proposed meeting

Motion Title: CO8 Motion to clarify 2018 motion CO5: Affirming UJS's commitment to Israel and a democratic and Jewish state by supporting democratic civil society organisations in Israel

Proposer's name: Daniel Marcus

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Natalia Orenstein

Seconder's J-Soc: Queen Mary

What's the idea?

1. UJS represents a proud Zionist voice, one which supports Israel as a Jewish and democratic state.
2. As such, we have the responsibility of defending and protecting Israel when it is slandered, but also ensuring that civil society organisations that work towards equal opportunity for Arab-Israelis have the support that they need. "Together—Vouch for Each Other" is an organisation which provides opportunities for Arab-Israelis to integrate with and benefit fully from Israeli democratic society. Equaliser is a charity which works to bring Jewish and Arab children together through education and football.
3. The functioning of these organisations, which service underprivileged communities in Israel ensure that all Israelis have a better chance at succeeding in the Jewish state. They support the principles laid out in the Declaration of Independence as essential components of the Jewish and democratic state of Israel.
4. These organisations do not receive enough support from diaspora Jews for the integral work that they do. The issue of Arab-Israeli integration within the state of Israel is not as popular as other civil society causes—but that does not mean that it is any less pressing. We have a duty to support the Arab sector which makes up 21% of the population and a vital part of Israel's vibrant democracy.
5. All three organisations originally listed in motion CO5 of 2018, which UJS must now 'reach out to' and 'engage' with; B'tselem, Breaking the Silence and Yesh Din, all have leadership which are accused of antisemitism by spreading falsehood leading to the demonization of Israel. In 2014, the excellent investigative journalist and author Tuvia Tenenbom, alongside Israeli channel 2, exposed B'tselem chief researcher, Atef-Al-Arub, whose 'research' led him to believe that the holocaust was a hoax. B'tselem have also been found to violate Palestinian Human Rights. In

an expose by the Israeli TV show "Uvda" in 2016, B'tselem member Nasser Nawajawas taped admitting that he entrapped Palestinians who sell land to Jews and then reporting them thereafter, a 'crime' worthy of the death penalty under Palestinian Authority Law. B'tselem chose to defend Nawaja, claiming that 'this is the only legitimate channel.' Therefore, B'tselem are directly complicit in the murder of Palestinians. The leader of Breaking the Silence, Avner Gvanyahu, and the former head Eran Efrati, were revealed as being members of the antisemitic 'Palestine Live' Facebook Group, which includes Neo-Nazis and holocaust deniers. Eran Efrati interacted on the group frequently with the main admin Eleanne Green. In 2013, Yesh Din helped organise an anti-semitic rally celebrating the demolition of a Jewish community called Homesh. During the celebration Jewish symbols at the site were replaced with PLO flags, and anti-Jewish banners were waved, including one of an orthodox man with a spear through his mouth. Yesh Din defended their own behaviour and refused to show remorse.

How do you want it to happen?

It is clear, that from the reasons and events listed above, these organisations, B'tselem, Breaking the Silence and Yesh Din do nothing for the cause of peace and human rights, and instead spread hatred and division. They also routinely violate the IHRA definition of anti-semitism. Therefore, UJS should have no association with these groups and motion CO5 should be updated to include working with organization who do provide support and enhancements towards the cause of peace and human rights including Together – Vouch for Each Other and the Equaliser.

1. The organisations, Together- Vouch for Each Other and the Equaliser are vital to the continuation of a healthy Israeli democracy. As such, UJS must actively support the existence of these organisations.
2. UJS must reach out to these organisations so that they have a channel to educate British students.
3. This includes programming meetings or activities with these organisations on UJS trips to Israel and doing events with them when representatives are in the UK.

Motion Title: CO9 Donate Summit Food

Proposer's name: Shimon Kelly

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Seconder's name: Judith Offenberg

Seconder's J-Soc: KCL

What's the idea?

1. Donate all the leftover food from Summit to a homeless shelter
2. Trussell Bank notes a 19% increase in food parcels delivered to people below the poverty line
3. Encourage students to bring non-perishable food to donate at Summit

How do you want it to happen?

1. Find a local foodbank and donate all the leftover non-perishable food
2. Use the cars hired by UJS to deliver the food before staff leave the location
3. Encourage students to bring non-perishable food to donate at Summit through social media sign-posting and in emails regarding summit logistics.

Motion Title: CO10 We Live in a Society

Proposer's name: Nathan Boroda

Proposer's J-Soc: Warwick

Seconder's name: Toby Kunin

Seconder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

1. UJS regularly meets with Members of Parliament (MPs) in order to lobby them on issues facing Jewish students and build Parliamentary support
2. UJS meets MPs from multiple political parties
3. Many MPs don't know that they have a Jewish student presence in their constituencies
4. Not all MPs align with UJS' positions on key issues, and meeting these MPs is important to try and change their minds

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS to continue its work lobbying MPs on issues facing Jewish students
2. UJS to offer J-Socs their time to arrange for their local MP to visit the J-Soc
3. UJS to continue to meet with a broad political spectrum of MPs, including ones which don't always see eye to eye with UJS.

Motion Title: CO11 Committing to supporting human rights

Proposer's name: Emily Otvos

Proposer's J-Soc: LSE

Seconder's name: Peter Strauss

Seconder's J-Soc: Oxford Brookes

What's the idea?

1. UJS is committed to a two-state Solution as the only way to ensure a safe and secure, democratic Jewish state.
2. UJS promotes the core principles of humanitarianism, equal rights and justice – central to Jewish tradition, UK and international law, as well as principals upon which the Jewish state was founded.
3. Everyone across Israel and Palestine has the right to live in safety and security, without fear of violence.
4. The Military Courts, in place since 1967, violate these core principles; numerous testimonies and reports from Israeli lawyers, human rights organisations, United Nations experts and treaty bodies have highlighted the illegal treatment of Palestinians within the military detention system, leading to the denial of human rights for Palestinians under Israeli military jurisdiction.
5. The system uses tactics including ambushed arrests between midnight and 5:00am by soldiers; blindfolds and painful restraints; physical and verbal abuse during transfer to interrogation sites; lack of access to water, food, toilet facilities and medical care; interrogation using physical violence and threats, coerced confessions; and lack of access to lawyers, family members and translators during interrogation
6. Jewish students in the British diaspora are largely unaware of the existence and realities of the military judicial system, which contributes to the cycle of humiliation and violence towards the Palestinian people and escalates the continued violence between Israelis and Palestinians
7. UJS can play a key role in raising awareness of this issue, both on campuses and within British Jewish and Israel focused institutions. UJS can help contribute to a

positive discourse around what we as British Jews can do support human rights in Israel and Palestine and support a Jewish and democratic state.

How do you want it to happen?

1. Make education about the existence and realities of the Military Courts a compulsory element of any UJS trips to Israel/Palestine
2. Where possible meet with Palestinians to hear about realities of living under Military law
3. Work with Jewish representative organisations such as the Board of Deputies and the Jewish Leadership Council to promote awareness of this violations of human rights and lobby the Israeli government on this issue
4. Facilitate a meeting with students and the Israeli Embassy about the situation, to improve our knowledge and awareness
5. Work with relevant organisations which can help to raise awareness of the issue and support UJS
6. Provide resources and support Jewish Societies which want to hold sessions to educate about the Military Courts and various narratives surrounding them

Motion Title: CO12 Supporting Kurds

Proposer's name: Nathan Kelion

Proposer's J-Soc: Leeds

Seconder's name: Abraham Levy Bentata

Seconder's J-Soc: Manchester

What's the idea?

1. The Kurdish people are stateless and want the right to national self determination
2. The Kurdish people are calling for a state in parts of Iraq, Iran, Syria and Turkey
3. The Kurdish people are currently under attack from Turkey, with little distinction between civilian and military targets
4. The Kurds have been instrumental in the fight against ISIS

How do you want it to happen?

1. For UJS to support Campaigns raising awareness of the Kurdish people
2. UJS to support the right of the Kurdish people to national self determination
3. UJS look to build bridges with Kurdish groups operating on campus



UJS and J-Socs

Motion Title: UJ1 Funding structure change

Proposer's name: Etan Feingold

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Secunder's name: Jacob Jackson

Secunder's J-Soc: Nottingham Trent

What's the idea?

Increase the maximum per person per event amount from £3 to£4.

How do you want it to happen?

Increasing the fundraising capabilities of the UJS and make alternations to the funding formula to ensure more money is channeled into UJS programming and J-Soc events.

Motion Title: UJ2 J-Soc Inclusivity officer and guide

Proposer names and J-Socs:

Jodie Franks, Leeds

Peter Strauss, Oxford Brookes

Etan Feingold, Nottingham

Seconder names and J-Socs:

Yona Davis, Manchester

Shayna Wise, Leicester

Jacob Jackson, Nottingham Trent

What's the idea?

Many minorities within the Jewish student community feel under represented and therefore unwelcome at Jsoc. Having an inclusivity officer on a Jsoc committee would solve this problem by thinking about how events, friday night dinners, etc. can be made more welcoming and open to all types of students, whether they be more or less religious, LGBTQ+, or have health issues.

Having open communication between the committee and the students is very important. Students should feel that they can express their opinions and complaints to their inclusivity officer, and know that there is a designated role on the Jsoc committee to solve their problems. Examples of the role of an inclusivity officer include being a friendly face at events and ensuring that everybody has someone to sit with, or designating a quieter room at pres/bigger events for people who are feeling overwhelmed.

JSocs should be a safe space for all Jews regardless of their sexuality. Unfortunately, JSocs aren't always that welcoming for LGBTQ+ students. Last year a J-Soc president left homophobic abuse for a JSoc member to find as an example. The idea is for UJS to work with a Jewish LGBTQ+ organisation to create a handbook for JSoc committees on creating welcoming spaces to all Jewish students.

How do you want it to happen?

UJS should hold meetings with respective JSOC presidents (at least 6) to collate ideas on how best to represent all their student members - A draft publication should be created highlighting the concerns raised and potential solutions - A draft guidance should be created following on from the potential solutions and drawing on realistic solutions, such as creating alternative events for the progressive movement. Allowing men and women to sit together or separately depending on the event or members attending. - Once approved by UJS, the guidance should be sent to all JSOC presidents.

J-Socs should strongly consider having a role of 'inclusivity officer'. This person on committee does not need to necessarily 'be' every minority, but it is their role to listen to individual students and make sure their voices are heard on committee. All J-Soc committee members should be reminded by the inclusivity officer that their job is to represent all Jewish students, even ones they don't personally identify with.

After AGM and at least once a term, the inclusivity officer's name and role should be published, eg on a facebook page, so that students know they can reach out to the inclusivity officer to have their voices heard. In smaller J-Socs where an inclusivity officer is not feasible, the committee should take it upon themselves to keep channels of communication open between them and the students through anonymous online forms or feedback sessions with the president.

UJS should produce and distribute a guidebook on how to be inclusive to all and make sure J-Socs are a safe and welcoming space to all and provide adequate training.

Motion Title: UJ3 Oo Oo Oo, It's Time For A Democracy Review

Proposer's name: James Harris

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Secunder's name: Nathan Boroda

Secunder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

- Democracy is integral to UJS reaching out to as many Jewish students as possible.
- It is time for UJS to review its democratic processes in order to enhance them.

How do you want it to happen?

- The UJS President should initiate a review of all democratic processes, to be concluded by November 2020.
- That this consultation should consult with Jewish students for across the country, all religious backgrounds and liberation communities.
- This review should include, but not be limited to, the make-up of UJS National Council, the elections for UJS President and the creation of new representative organisations.

Motion Title: UJ4 Welfare in J-Socs

Proposer's name: James Harris

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Seconder's name: Peter Strauss

Seconder's J-Soc: Oxford Brookes

What's the idea?

- The current lack of welfare on J-Socs is concerning. Mental health awareness is something that appears to be missing in a number of J-Socs across the country.
- It is vital that we start to talk about such issues within our societies to remove the stigma from mental health.
- Furthermore, we must provide support to those who feel like they may not be able to talk to anyone else. The Jewish circle may be the one place that people feel comfortable opening up about how they feel.
- A few J-Socs do already have a welfare officer but this isn't enough. We must aim to expand this to cover every J-Soc. Mental health is an issue on every campus and can often be hidden; making it appear like there's no problem. – The following proposals really could be the difference between life and death.
- We are not able to remove mental health issues but we can certainly take steps to help.

How do you want it to happen?

- Mandatory session provided by some kind of professional speaker for all new J-Soc committee members at the beginning of the (committee) year on different mental health issues and how we can raise awareness.
- Every J-Soc should begin the year by making a plan of steps that could be taken to raise awareness within their society and come up with a plan of how someone would go about getting the help they need. The committee should also think about signs that could suggest a welfare issue and how they would address it.

- Every J-Soc should seriously consider making a welfare officer position available on their committee. It is important this role is advertised before an election. Anyone wanting to take up this role should be provided with training – perhaps this could come from the training provided on campus for other movements e.g. Nightline or UJS could look at providing this training during summit.
- The welfare of the committee is also important and all members should feel like they have someone they can talk to. Each committee should nominate one person at the beginning of the year who could act as the go to person should anyone feel they need someone to talk to.
- When a welfare officer is elected, it should be made publicly known e.g. on the Facebook group, who this person is and what the role of this person is.

Motion Title: UJ5 Inclusive UJS

Proposer's name: Daniel Sacks

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Seconder's name: Asher Renton

Seconder's J-Soc: Birmingham

What's the idea?

- As a union for all Jewish students, UJS should be a space for all Jews regardless of denomination or affiliation. With more and more Orthodox students feeling unrepresented it is vital to ensure that we don't lose anyone and that UJS is a welcoming space for ALL Jewish students.
- Our religion, heritage and culture should be valued and in line with "Kol Yisrael aravim ze bazeh" (All of Israel are responsible for one another), we should ensure all Jewish students have a home within UJS.

How do you want it to happen?

- Ensuring that kosher food is always available at any UJS trip or event.
- Ensuring that students are always able to keep the standard of Shabbat that they choose whilst with UJS on any trip or at any event.
- Ensuring, where possible, that access to minyanim can be facilitated. This applies to minyanim of any religious denomination for any Jewish student.
- Creating a safe space for students to express their religious ideology and values in a way which aligns with their beliefs.



Motion Title: UJ6 UJS Shabbaton

Proposer's name: Etan Feingold

Proposer's J-Soc: University of Nottingham

Seconder's name: Jacob Jackson

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham Trent

What's the idea?

- UJS Shabbaton, open to all members to a European destination to meet with other Jewish students from around the diaspora.

How do you want it to happen?

- Discuss with members which destination in Europe has the most value for UJS members.
- Evaluate cost, logistics and kashrut issues with committee.
- UJS should initiate contact with the Jewish student body of that country to organise a suitable weekend for the Shabbaton to take place.
- UJS should give at least 2 months notice of the Shabbaton and offer a subsidized package for students who are unable to pay full cost.

Motion Title: UJ7 EL AL flights discount for UJS Members

Proposer's name: Etan Feingold

Proposer's J-Soc: University of Nottingham

Seconder's name: Jacob Jackson

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham Trent

What's the idea?

- Permit a UJS member discount for all EL AL flights if approved by EL AL.

How do you want it to happen?

- Lobby EL AL by making contact with existing directorial connections with the company.
- Propose a meeting with key contact within the company.
- Discuss the possibility and feasibility of offering a discount of any percentage for UJS members.
- Advertise and promote any discount given within the UJS social media presence.

Motion Title: UJ8 Supporting our Outspoken Students

Proposer's name: Jessica Baker

Proposer's J-Soc: Leeds

Seconder's name: Peter Strauss

Seconder's J-Soc: Oxford Brookes

What's the idea?

- Jewish students who are outspoken with their opinions, particularly when it comes to Israel, often face vile abuse from those within and outside our community.
- Whilst debate is welcome, Jewish students should not be subjected to personal abuse due to their political opinion.
- Incidents like these can put off others from getting involved in activism on campus.

How do you want it to happen?

- UJS should support Jewish students who receive abuse online.
- UJS should publicly condemn this abuse when appropriate.
- UJS should launch a campaign within the wider community to raise awareness about disagreeing respectfully, with the support of other communal organisations.

Motion Title: UJ9 Conference Location? Rotation Rotation

Proposer's name: Ben Harari

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Jael Sermanota

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham

What's the idea?

- For the last few years UJS Conference has been consistently held in London.
- Whilst London is the home of the vast majority of Jewish students, during term time this is not the case.
- UJS has in the past been accused of being 'London centric'.
- UJS Conference has the ability to attract members from all over the country, but students in the North should not be expected to have to travel to London every year.
- Conference being held in Leeds this year is a good first step.
- The NUS set out their conference locations a few years in advance, as such removing the issue of a particular conference location favouring an election candidate.

How do you want it to happen?

- UJS Conference should be held in different cities around the UK, not just in London.
- UJS should decide on the location of Conference for a few years in advance, and publicise this once the decision has been made.
- Conference should not be held in the same city two years in a row unless it is necessary.
- This is the first time UJS has funded rail travel to and from the venue. This should continue in years to come, seeing as rail travel can be expensive.

Motion Title: UJ10 Israel Education

Proposer's name: Simcha Alexandra Hassan

Proposer's J-Soc: University of the Arts London

Seconder's name: Amy-Julie Fogiel

Seconder's J-Soc: University of Essex

What's the idea?

- We encourage J-Socs to have a minimum of 4 (2 per term) Israel engagement events
 - on the history of Zionism from 19th century to the current conflict o invite professional speakers
 - events organised by J-Soc and for J-Soc members but should be open to all students so they can learn about the conflict

How do you want it to happen?

- We consider it one of our J-Soc duties to educate on Israel, it should be made compulsory.
 - same system as compulsory training against anti-Semitism.
 - UJS can create the sessions (power point, speakers from StandWithUs and other organisations and get in touch with J-Socs to schedule the session.

Motion Title: UJ11 Holocaust Education

Proposer's name: Nina Freedman

Proposer's J-Soc: Bristol

Seconder's name: Isabella Levin

Seconder's J-Soc: Bristol

What's the idea?

- The Holocaust, or Shoah, is the name for the genocide perpetrated by the Nazis against, among others, Jewish people, LGBT+ individuals, people of Roma descent, and disabled people.
- With the number of Holocaust survivors growing smaller each year, it is more crucial than ever that we work towards hearing their testimonies and educating others on the horrors of the Holocaust.
- We should work to find alternative ways to listen to testimonies, that do not always require the speaker to be present so that we can ensure that a survivors story can continue to be heard.
- Fascism and other far-right movements are on the rise around the world which makes it even more imperative that we do not forget the destruction that racism and fascism can bring.
- Holocaust Memorial Day, on January 27, is a global day of commemoration for all the victims of the Holocaust.
- 'Never again' is a phrase that we should adhere to, yet genocides continue to happen around the world. These should also be commemorated alongside holocaust Memorial Day to ensure the importance of this phrase as well as the importance of standing together against injustice.

How do you want it to happen?

- UJS should officially commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day by posting blogs and helping organise events.
- UJS should work with JSocs to ensure that they have all the resources available to be able to host their own HMD events.
- UJS should work with organisations that promote Holocaust education such as Holocaust Education Trust (HET), Holocaust Memorial Day Trust (HMDT), Yad Vashem, Imperial War Museum and Anne Frank Trust.
- Continue working with March of the Living to provide an incredible educational opportunity for students to learn about the holocaust and the history of the Jewish community in Poland.

- UJS should ensure that Holocaust education is conducted throughout the year, not just on Yom HaShoah or Holocaust Memorial Day.
- UJS should work with non-Jewish sabbatical officers and students to ensure that Holocaust education is available to all.
- UJS should work with NUS to improve the quality and reach of Holocaust education across the entire student population.
- UJS should promote a range of different events to commemorate the Holocaust, which could include film screenings, vigils, exhibitions or a survivor speaker.
- UJS should also move to commemorate other genocides throughout the year, to show the importance of 'Never Again' and standing together against all atrocities.

Motion Title: UJ12 Bristol Jewish Society House

Proposer's name: Sabrina Miller

Proposer's J-Soc: Bristol

Seconder's name: Adam Kingsley

Seconder's J-Soc: Bristol

What's the idea?

- The membership of Bristol Jewish society has grown dramatically (in 2014 there were just 25 members and right now we have over 700 members).
- The facilities that Bristol Jewish society have been using for the past 10 years have not changed despite the dramatic increase in membership.
- The Bristol JSoc kitchen is not fit for use: it is too small to cook food for upwards of 70 people, it has an infinite number of maintenance issues (broken lights, broken hot plates etc), the equipment is poor and it is incredibly difficult to cook a meal for 70 people in that space.
- The Bristol JSoc house is currently a safety hazard - the Bristol JSoc house was recently closed down because of mould in the kitchen.
- The space of the main dining room is too small to fit 100 people for Friday night dinner and this is especially tricky during the first few weeks of university when Bristol JSoc can see over 150 people coming for Friday night dinner.
- Bristol JSoc is dependant on having a clean, large house in order to cook regular Friday night dinners.
- Friday night dinners are a core part of any JSoc – and Bristol JSoc is no different.
- Bristol JSoc needs new facilities in order to fulfil one of its core duties.

How do you want it to happen?

- UJS should look at the possibility of renting or purchasing a new property for Bristol Jewish society.
- UJS should consult the Bristol JSoc committee to establish an appropriate house for Bristol JSoc.
- As of immediately UJS should hire professional cleaners to do an industrial clean of the Bristol JSoc house removing all of the critters that live inside the cupboards.

- As of immediately and where financially possible UJS should fix any existing maintenance issues.
- As of immediately and where financially possible UJS should purchase new cooking equipment such as knives, pots and pans to ensure JSoc meals can be cooked in a safe, clean environment.
- UJS should review all JSoc houses to make sure they are all fit for use.
- UJS should invest in any JSoc house deemed not fit for use.

Motion Title: UJ13 Israel Societies

Proposer's name: Daniel Sacks

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham

Secunder's name: Sam Prais

Secunder's J-Soc: Birmingham

What's the idea?

- Israel and Zionism are a vital part of the story and identity of the Jewish people.
- Many J-Socs do Israel events as part of their core activities.
- Some Israel societies have established themselves, some with J-Soc support, some without.
- It's important when Israel societies are established that they have varied content from various pro-Israel perspectives.

How do you want it to happen?

- UJS should only fund Israel societies which have varied pro-Israel perspectives from varied organisations.
- UJS should only fund Israel Societies when the split is agreed with the J-Soc on that campus.

Campus

Motion Title: CA1 UJS Antisemitism training

Proposer's name: Josh Lee

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Anthony Bolchover

Seconder's J-Soc: Birmingham

What's the idea?

1. UJS launched an antisemitism awareness training programme for students' unions in the Summer of 2019
2. This training has so far been delivered at around 30 students' unions, including training the leadership of the National Union of Students
3. Alongside this training, UJS has developed a booklet sent out to SUs titled 'How to Support Your Jewish Students'
4. This training programme has been successful in educating students' unions on antisemitism and how it should be tackled and building relationships between J-Socs and their SUs

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should continue to deliver this training every year to all the new SU sabbatical teams around the country including both full-time and part-time officers.
2. UJS should work with J-Socs to ensure they attend the training on their campus and meet their new SU officers
3. UJS should recreate their booklet 'How to Support Your Jewish Students' every few years to ensure it is up to date
4. UJS should ensure that the leadership of the NUS is trained every year
5. UJS Should work with the Community Security Trust, the International Holocaust Memorial Alliance, the Antisemitism Policy Trust and the Campaign Against Antisemitism to update and consolidate their resources and training strategies

Motion Title: CA2 Combating anti-Israel rhetoric and anti-Zionism in the NUS

Proposer's name: Dimitra Psychari

Proposer's J-Soc: Cardiff

Seconder's name: Zak Wagman

Seconder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

1. The NUS (National Union of Students) is the Union that represents the interests of the whole student body.
2. During the previous years, it is widely known that they have been adopting an anti-Israel stance
3. In many of the resolutions they passed during the previous years, they have passed policies calling for BDS, characterizing Israel as an “apartheid state” and “colonial”, using LGBT+ rights for “pinkwashing” purposes and much more. Such policies include: Motion 501 of Black Students’ campaign (Defending Boycott, Divestments and Sanctions): This motion states “we are anti-racist, anti-colonial and anti-Zionist”. Motion 304 of Black Students’ campaign (BDS) Motion 304 of Women’s campaign (Support the right to education and justice for Palestine): Calls for BDS and solely blames Israel for the “Brutal siege on Gaza” Motion 210 of LGBT+ Students’ campaign (Say no to pinkwashing): It calls the LGBT+ rights in Israel a “pinkwashing campaign to conceal human rights violations on Palestinian people”. Motion 102 of Disabled Students’ campaign (Solidarity with Palestine): Similar text with motion 501 of Black Students’ campaign. “We are anti-racist, anti-colonial and anti-Zionist”, speaking negatively of Ariel Sharon and NUS officials that got involved with Israel and much more.
4. The NUS has promoted, endorsed and encouraged participation in events like the “Apartheid Off Campus” BDS conference by the Palestine Solidarity Campaign UK.
5. 3 in 5 British Jews self-identify as Zionists and 9 in 10 of British Jews support the right of Israel to exist as a Jewish State. Zionism is the right of the Jewish people self-determinate in their historic homeland.

6. As many Jewish students self-identify as Zionists and support the right of Israel to exist as a Jewish state, when the NUS adopts resolutions where they state “we are anti-Zionist”, or that Israel is an “apartheid state”, those students might feel alienated.
7. NUS Officers have even questioned the IHRA definition of antisemitism and supported violence against Israel, for example the former Black Students Officer, proposer of the Disabled Students’ BDS motion, Mr Nagdee.
8. Eight months ago, the NUS suspended an Exeter Student from the NUS elections for praising Netanyahu’s victory. Then they unsususpended him, giving him a verbal warning. It is ironic for the NUS to disqualify or verbally warn candidates for just stating a political opinion while the NUS Officers (see clause 7) have supported violence or questioned the definition of antisemitism.
9. Academic boycott will have a negative effect to Jewish students of British universities that might want to continue their education in Israel, as there might be a problem with providing recommendation letters, that are of vital importance for the enrollment at any university, by universities that are part of the BDS campaign.
10. Antisemitism has been on the rise in our country during the last year. Many students feel afraid of wearing symbols/accessories/clothing that might indicate that they are Jewish (e.g. Star of David necklaces, kippot).

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS to continue condemning BDS motions by the NUS and rhetoric of anti-Israel content.
2. UJS to create a campaign in order to educate students across the UK about the negative impacts of BDS and why it is not the solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
3. UJS to campaign for revocation of motions 102 (of Disabled Students) and 501 (of Black Students)
4. A UJS representative to meet with the NUS President to discuss the issue of anti-Israel rhetoric in the NUS.

Motion Title: CA3 Promoting better relationships between J-Socs and their Students' Unions

Proposer's name: Nina Freedman

Proposer's J-Soc: Bristol

Seconders' name: Sabrina Miller

Seconders' J-Soc: Bristol

What's the idea?

1. Students' Unions are important organisations which have sizeable influence on student societies and their universities
2. It is important for J-Socs to have relationships with their Students' Unions (SUs) in order to best represent their Jewish students
3. Building these relationships is not always easy and something that J-Socs could use advice from UJS on
4. J-Socs often feel far removed from their SUs and this prevents them being part of their wider student community – often inhibiting things like interfaith work and university-wide campaigns

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS to include sessions on how to work with SUs into their J-Soc training programme
2. UJS to help J-Socs build relationships with their SUs through their already existing relationship through antisemitism awareness training
3. UJS to promote the opportunities available to students within their SUs after graduating and to help and advise students running for sabbatical positions

Motion Title: CA4 Love Thy Neighbour: Tackling Antisemitism and Islamophobia Together

Proposer's name: Nathan Boroda

Proposer's J-Soc: Warwick

Seconder's name: Zac Lewis

Seconder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

1. Antisemitism, Islamophobia and other forms of racism are heavily linked.
2. Solidarity between Jewish and faith communities is integral.
3. Campaigns to tackle antisemitism and Islamophobia should challenge white supremacy, attacks on religious freedoms and discrimination in our own communities.

How do you want it to happen?

1. Mandate the UJS Sabbatical Team to meet with representatives from interfaith organisations such as Christian Unions, FOSIS, Sikh and Hindu Societies in January 2020 to discuss how this campaign should be run.
2. Mandate the UJS Campaigns Team to choose a campus with large communities of different faiths to organise an introductory meeting between Jewish students and students of other faiths.



Motion Title: CA5 Uncle Moishy Is Here, Uncle Moishy Is There, Uncle Moishy Is Truly Everywhere

Proposer's name: Nathan Boroda

Proposer's J-Soc: Warwick

Secunder's name: Nathan Domnitz

Secunder's J-Soc: Warwick

What's the idea?

1. Jewish children's entertainer Uncle Moishy is a staple of Judaism
2. Having Uncle Moishy on UK campuses will increase awareness of Judaism.
3. 'Healthy' by Uncle Moishy is an absolute banger.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should invite Uncle Moishy on a UK campus tour in 2020.

Motion Title: CA6 Opposing BDS in all its forms

Proposer's name: James Harris, Sally Patterson

Proposer's J-Soc: Birmingham, Cambridge

Seconder's name: Peter Strauss

Seconder's J-Soc: Oxford Brookes

What's the idea?

1. BDS, or 'Boycott, Divest & Sanction' is a polarising tool and creates a hostile environment for Jewish students on campus, often resulting in the threat of physical violence and verbal abuse.
2. It contributes to the polar narrative of us vs. them. It forces students to be either pro-Israel vs. pro-Palestine, which is an unhelpful and unrepresentative binary.
3. Many Jewish students are staunchly Zionist, and also care about the human rights of both Palestinians and Israelis.
4. The BDS movement on campus often makes Jewish students feel silenced, threatened and even fearful for their safety.
5. BDS also excludes many Israeli voices fighting for peace, who often put their lives at risk to do so.
6. By excluding an Israeli voice, BDS opposes UJS' policy of supporting a two-state solution. Without working bilaterally, a political resolution will never be achieved.
7. It's crucial that Jewish students are actively involved in conversations about criticising Israel and defining what legitimate criticism of Israel is. This is the only way to prevent so-called criticism from straying into outright antisemitism.
8. That way, Jewish students will be able to prove that you can be critical of Israeli government policies and fight for the end of the occupation of the West Bank, but not be anti-Israel or anti-Semitic

9. Concern for the safety of Jewish students is of paramount importance, and Universities and Students' Unions need to recognise this and make the necessary provisions for Jewish students accordingly.

10. The BDS movement is duplicitous in its aims, and purposefully conflates legitimate criticisms of Israel with attacks on the Jewish right to selfdetermination as a concept.

11. We are greatly disturbed by the thought that our universities, dedicated to the pursuit of truth and knowledge, could be called on to ban cooperation with the universities and cultural groups of any other country.

12. We regard this as an assault on intellectual and academic freedom. We also believe that these discriminatory measures only isolate those elements of Israeli society most supportive of peace.

13. Moreover, as recent events at different university have shown, BDS creates a toxic environment for Jewish students on campus. We note that it is the same 'protesters' breaking windows and intimidating Jewish students on these campuses, that are pushing for BDS under the guise of non-violent resistance.

14. UJS has a responsibility to protect the interests of Jewish students - who are undoubtedly harmed by the obsession of the BDS movement; as these incidents so clearly demonstrate.

How do you want it to happen?

UJS should support student activists who promote meaningful discussions about Israel/ Palestinians

2. UJS should not support people who promote blanket boycotts, such as BDS, on campuses or candidates in the NUS.

3. UJS should ensure that students are well informed about the conflict and have a good understanding of the issues so that they can participate in these conversations.

4. This includes educating students on why BDS is not a viable pathway to peace, and how other routes will be more impactful. In doing so, students will not fight BDS blindly, rather they will understand the reasoning behind the need for other tactics.

5. UJS should assist JSocs in effectively fighting BDS and create a 'How to deal with BDS on campus' resource for any student who would like to understand the issues further.

6. UJS should signpost students towards other organisations who can help them fight for a
2 State Solution in the most effective way.

7. JSocs should be given appropriate assistance to counter BDS motions at their Student Unions on the grounds that this movement has the potential to challenge the continuing functioning of JSocs and the safety of Jewish students.

8. UJS will work closely with Students' Unions, the CST and campus security in order to communicate and mitigate against the divisive and potentially violent consequence of the BDS movement on campus.

Motion Title: CA7 Israel Palestine conversations on Campus

Proposer's name: Peter Strauss

Proposer's J-Soc: Oxford Brookes

Seconder's name: Noah Libson

Seconder's J-Soc: Goldsmiths

What's the idea?

1. On many university campuses across the UK there exists significant polarisation between groups of students on the topic of Israel/Palestine.
2. This polarisation has led to a lack of constructive engagement on the topic, even going so far as intimidatory protests as seen on many university campuses
3. Dialogue and discussion between Israelis and Palestinians is the only way to bring about a just and lasting peace, and this should be reflected on university campuses by bringing students from various perspectives together to discuss the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
4. There exists at around 5 universities an Israel Palestine Discussion Group that hosts various events, including speaker talks and informal meetings of society members, to facilitate discussion on a range of topics.
5. These groups have provided a space for all students to come and engage in constructive discussion, promoting dialogue instead of division.
6. If we are serious about the peace process, then we must discuss the difficult topics and these societies encompasses that.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS will work to create spaces that bring together students of all backgrounds to discuss the topic of Israel/Palestine whether in a formal or informal setting.
2. Based on the recommendation from the recent Home Affairs Select Committee report, UJS will work with Universities UK and relevant student groups to produce a resource for students, lecturers and student societies on how to deal sensitively with the Israel/Palestine conflict.



Motion Title: CA8 Jewish prayer rooms on campus

Proposer's name: Judith Offenberg

Proposer's J-Soc: Kings College

Seconder's name: Dania Mann-Weinberg

Seconder's J-Soc: Manchester

What's the idea?

1. A lot of observant Jews pray three times a day, meaning that at least one of those prayer times falls during uni hours.
2. A lot of universities don't have prayer rooms at all or ones that are open to all religions and may therefore be unsuitable for Jewish students (as issues of idolatry may arise).

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS to lobby SUs and universities to establish Jewish prayer rooms on campus, and also support J-Socs in doing so.
2. For UJS to include this ask and information in their next "Supporting your Jewish students" guide.
3. UJS to work with University Jewish Chaplaincy to lobby for Jewish prayer rooms.

Motion Title: CA9 Reform University Disciplinary Processes

Proposer's name: Nina Freedman

Proposer's J-Soc: Bristol

Seconder's name: Sabrina Miller

Seconder's J-Soc: Bristol

What's the idea?

1. University and SU disciplinary processes are not fit for purpose
2. The processes take too long, causing complainants unnecessary anxiety and stress
3. University disciplinary processes are often not independent enough, with close colleagues of lecturers often overseeing complaints
4. Most universities also do not allow for anonymity, making students worried about complaining against lecturers or fellow students out of fear of repercussions
5. Jewish students have little trust in these processes, which leads to underreporting

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should lobby UUK, Office for Students and the Government to launch a review into the way universities handle complaints
2. UJS should continue to support Jewish students engaging with current complaints procedures

Motion Title: CA10 Kosher food on campus

Proposer's name: Judith Offenberg

Proposer's J-Soc: Kings College

Seconder's name: James Leof

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham

What's the idea?

1. Several universities in the UK already offer kosher food at their SU shops or canteens and this year University of Nottingham introduced kosher snacks and hot meals, with the help of UJS. Observant Jewish students are often limited to certain universities due to lack of provision for Kosher food.
2. For Student Unions to include kosher food selection in their SU shops and hot kosher meals in SU canteens.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS to support J-Socs in lobbying their SUs and universities to introduce kosher options on campus.
2. UJS to lobby to SUs and universities directly to introduce kosher options on campus.
3. UJS to work with University Jewish Chaplaincy to introduce kosher provisions.

Motion Title: CA11 University Staff Guidance to High Holy Days and Shabbat

Proposer's name: Ben Harari

Proposer's J-Soc: Nottingham

Seconder's name: Jael Sermoneta

Seconder's J-Soc: Nottingham

What's the idea?

1. UJS should work with Chaplaincy to write a clear set of guidelines for university staff to follow concerning Orthodox Jewish students who miss important lectures and seminars due to observance of Shabbat/Festivals.
2. This especially important during the first semester, when Shabbat is early on a Friday and there are many festivals midweek. This can be especially detrimental to the studies of first years, who aren't yet familiar with the style of study at university.
3. University staff should accommodate for Jewish students around the festivals in September/October so that religion does not impact their grades or coursework. This would ensure that it is always possible to catch up on any work missed due to the High Holy Days, and that course coordinators and lecturers have a set plan to offer support to these students so that observant Jewish students are not disadvantaged due to their religious practices.
4. This would be an advisory guideline explaining the nature of religious holidays and the Sabbath and providing resources that would help the staff member understand and guide them on how best to help the student.
5. This guide is a starter pack that should eventually be adopted by universities and used as protocol to make decisions concerning religious students that miss compulsory lectures, workshops or seminars etc.
6. It should be the university's responsibility to help the student catch up and provide them with resources to do so. If it is left up to the student, like now, it can be detrimental to the student's wider studies, thus amounting to indirect discrimination by the university.

How do you want it to happen?

1. Create a document, in conjunction with Chaplaincy, that would explain to university staff how best to make resources available to Jewish students who require them in place of attending particular contact hours due to observance of Sabbath/festivals.
2. The document would also include a brief introduction, explaining the nature of the Sabbath and festivals, particularly in the autumn/winter when it gets dark early and many students can't attend sessions scheduled later on a Friday afternoon.
3. The document could also be published to Jewish students entering university to make them aware of what to do in order to catch up. This would also make students aware of their university's responsibilities to help them.
4. Examples of way to help students would be included. These could include the following:
 - Extra resources online that could make up credits that students miss for attendance-based modules.
 - e.g. If a module requires attendance in order to receive credits then there could be an option to watch the lecture and complete a quiz online to confirm you watched it.
 - Chaplains could provide proof that the student needs to miss that lecture due to religious observance in the form of a letter, like they already do for missed exams/deadlines.
 - Provided a student notifies the relevant people in good time, the teaching staff should direct the student towards the relevant material to catch up what they missed so that the burden to find material is not on the student. This motion would ensure the rights of religiously observant Jewish students against indirect discrimination due to religious practices.

Motion Title: CA12 Security Costs motions

Proposer's name: Sabrina Miller

Proposer's J-Soc: Bristol

Seconder's name: Dominic Casoria

Seconder's J-Soc: Lancaster

What's the idea?

1. J-Soc's, Israel societies and Dialogue societies often face extortionate security costs
2. Lancaster J-Soc have been charged upwards of £2500 for a single events security costs, and Bristol MEF have been charged £300 for its first two events
3. Small societies or new societies often don't have the financial backing to cover this costs and can either be left bankrupt or be forced to cancel the event
4. This can prevent Jewish societies, Israel societies or dialogue societies from thriving
5. This can discourage Jewish, Israel, dialogue societies from putting on educational and interesting event

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should pay the security costs for any events run by Jewish, Israel and dialogue societies up to an amount agreed by the trustees
2. If UJS cannot afford this they must loan Jewish, Israel, and dialogue societies money to cover security costs
3. UJS should advise societies on how to improve their finances and increase their membership so that they will eventually be able to afford these costs

Motion Title: CA13 Promoting Interfaith: Friends across Faiths

Proposer's name: Nathan Kelion, Shoshana Cohen

Proposer's J-Soc: Leeds, Bristol

Seconder's name: Talia Knoble- Gershon, Sabrina Miller

Seconder's J-Soc: Birmingham, Bristol

What's the idea?

1. Interfaith work is an important way to teach others about Judaism
2. Interfaith is a very important part of UJS work and also of many J-Socs, with many J-Socs having their own interfaith officers
3. Interfaith work provides a space for learning about and engaging in positive open discussions about different religions
4. It is very important to have continuous conversations around interfaith all year round.
5. A lot of interfaith work tends to be centred around interfaith week.

How do you want it to happen?

1. UJS should invest money into interfaith events on campus
2. UJS could partner with national organisations that promote interfaith work e.g. Nisa Nashim, on specific interfaith projects
3. UJS should run workshops at summit with interfaith reps focused on teaching Jewish students how to engage successfully with other students of other faiths
4. UJS to run at least two more interfaith campaigns or events throughout the year in addition to partaking in interfaith week.
5. UJS to encourage J-Socs to organise more interfaith events throughout the year, in addition to interfaith week.