

Daisy Hopkins for Brookes Union President: manifesto 2020

I am **Daisy Hopkins**, your current Vice President Student Welbeing! I am running to be your next Brookes Union President.

I am currently an Officer. This means I have already got first hand experience in the role, I have had a year to understand what it takes to be in a student facing role and understand clearly what it means to Brookes Union Trustee and board member.

I have:

- Introduced Welfare Officers in sports teams with the support of Brookes Sport and Welbeing.
- Managed to achieve 300 extra seats on the U5 in the morning and afternoon peak times as a result of a U5 bus survey carried out.
- Hosted Brookes Unions first ever Well-Fair on World Mental Health Day, which included local mental health charities and organisations as well as Pets as Therapy. We were even featured on BBC South Today!
- Secured a review of the exceptional circumstances policy, because I want the best for your academic experience.
- Provided FREE emergency sanitary products across campuses.
- Worked with Brookes Accommodation to get a better deal for you.
- As Student Welbeing, have opened up the discussion around the disparity between academic advisors and the system as a whole.
- Worked on student safety campaigns with Brookes security.
- Worked with the Estates team to get campus issues resolved.
- Planned a sexual health campaign that is booked and ready for March.
- Fought individual student cases.
- Was part of University Strategy at Swindon campus.

I will:

- Continue the ongoing support for student welfare and mental health.
- Support the growth of equality, diversity and inclusion across all of the university.
- Continue working with Brookes Transport to improve your university buses.
- Work with the university on the implementation of their mental health strategy.
- I will hold Brookes accountable and want to see change, for example the exceptional circumstances policy. I want you to thrive and not just survive.
- Work on academic advisors.
- Ensure the promises set out are delivered and achieved by the new catering company.
- Work on welfare within Brookes Accommodation and third party halls.
- Support the team: there are four officers who collectively can make massive changes!
- Ensure students do not face unreasonable decisions from the university alone.
- I will continue to hold Brookes to its promises in keeping Wednesdays free for sports.

Ultimately I will fight the fight and stand up for ALL students. I will *continue* to listen to you!

I want you to feel proud of YOUR university and your Students Union. You need to feel that you are valued as an individual, not just a number.

Vote Daisy Hopkins for Brookes Union President.

Thank you.