Luke Jefferies – Manifesto

Hi, everyone! I’ve been involved in Sport and the Union since almost day 1 of University. I have been Club President, Martial Arts Rep as well as sitting on the Athletic Union Committee.

Some of my ideas:

* **Increase Participation in Sport** by making it easier for students to find active opportunities that are right for them. Change the University’s attitude towards Sport so that continued promotion throughout the year is more successful meaning students can keep active and find something they enjoy
* I will **promote Intramural Sports** to provide a better experience for students by giving continued support and publicity through the year. I’ll continue to explore **affordable options for Sports facilities** for casual members
* Use Sport to promote **positive attitudes towards mental health** to help students in times of stress. Using physical activity to assist in mental wellbeing can be very helpful, especially at University. The benefits of Sport should be available to everyone so I’ll **encourage accessibility and safeguarding for mental health and disabilities** in Sport
* I will work with other sabbatical officers to **promote services** already available to students and to improve current ones
* **Reorganisation of storage** across all sites, this will create more space for clubs that have previously been denied storage and promote a cleaner more effective use of space

We have a great **opportunity to improve Sport** and Students’ experience of Sport during their time at University next year. With the upcoming proposed migration of Sport to the University I want to ensure **clarity and transparency** with the Union, University and the entire student population. I want to make sure the transition is as smooth as possible and we reach an **agreement that benefits Sports Clubs** and the University.

I believe my experience will set me up perfectly for VP Sport, I want the opportunity to bring **fresh ideas and passion** to the Union and AU. I have worked with the previous 3 VP Sports during my time here and have an extremely good understanding of what the role entails. I’ve gotten to know and become close with many people across all aspects of Sport at University giving me a wide perspective of the challenges that students face.

I hope to provide **pragmatic and simple solutions** to problems. As an example I worked with the Martial Arts committee this year to fix the AC in the martial arts room, I want to do the same for the climbing wall.

I think Sport is amazing, not just because of its health benefits, but for the sense of **safety, community and inclusivity** it creates. My ideas are all achievable. My experiences have set me up for fulfilling the role of VP Sport, to deliver what students desire from their Sports Clubs as well as solving problems that will be presented to me throughout the year.

***Vote for me!***

Key Points:

* Increase participation for a more active student population in Sport
* Improve experience for Intramural Sports Clubs and players
* Ensure best agreement with migration of Sport over to University
* Accessibility and Safeguarding for mental health and disability in Sport
* Storage overhaul for Sports Clubs across all sites