

## Response to Charlotte, Varsity, 13.5.19

Comments highlighted in yellow by myself, Mike Buchanan, please attribute them to me.

Dear Mike Buchanan,

I hope this message finds you well. I'm contacting you from Varsity in regards to Cambridge's Student Union unanimously voting tonight to lobby the University to review its safeguarding policy on room bookings by external organisations, and to oppose the decision to allow Justice for Men and Boys to hold an event on departmental university premises.

Please could you provide us with a general comment on this decision as soon as is possible.

No safeguarding issues arise from our side. We have never threatened anyone, and never will. I am not aware of any events where Men's Rights Activists have ever threatened people. When there is threatening going on, MRAs are invariably the victims of it, not the perpetrators.

I fail to see why we should not hold an event on departmental university premises, on commercial terms. We have a legally binding contract. The lecture room would otherwise be unused, money is flowing from our political party to the university.

By "unanimously voting" to restrict freedom of speech, the Student's Union is simply confirming the public perception of Student Unions as being the domains of extreme left-wing intolerant ideologues, and adding to the growing reputation of Cambridge University as not being supportive of freedom of speech.

Furthermore, could you please provide comment on how you respond to the following claims:

J4MB was referred to as "an explicitly anti-feminist group" accepted, we wear our anti-feminism as a badge of pride, given that feminism is in reality a female supremacy ideology, seeking ever more privilege for women and girls, which inevitably requires assaults on the human rights of men and boys who target "individual feminists", what do you mean by "target"? Should feminists, whether "academics" or otherwise – we refuse to accord feminist "academics" the slightest respect, on account of the demonstrable absurdity of feminist "theories" and narratives – be unaccountable for their lies and malign influence? We challenge individual feminists, inevitably, but never threaten them stating that "various academics at this University have been targeted by them in the past". I can only think of only one example, and she was challenged calmly by myself after a presentation in the town, not "targeted". Her response was predictably woeful and evaded the question. Who are the "various academics" to whom you refer?

It was noted that the matter is not simply a gender issue, but "a matter of harassment of people who live and work in this University". We have never harassed anybody. Where is the evidence to the contrary? If anything, it we who are being harassed by this campaign against our appearing.

It was argued by a member of Council that the Prevent duty being the only means through which external groups booking rooms and hosting events on University premises is regulated is "not good enough". Because feminist ideologues and their male poodles must have the power of veto over the freedom of speech of those with differing views? Ha. Let me know if you'd like me to travel to Cambridge for an interview, photos, video etc., before the talks. Also let me know if anyone from Varsity would like to attend the forthcoming fifth International Conference on Men's Issues, in August, in Chicago, <http://icmi2019.icmi.info>.

The event is being organized by women, and many of the speakers are women. One is Karen Straughan, possibly the most prominent female anti-feminist MRA in the world. Her response to the latest Varsity article <https://j4mb.org.uk/2019/05/05/karen-straughan-girlwriteswhat-responds-to-cambridge-university-feminists-seeking-to-deny-j4mb-a-platform-on-24-may/>

Please let me know to whom the comment should be attributed.

Kind regards,

Charlotte