



Felix Editor report to Union Council

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In accordance with the Union Felix policy I am presenting my termly report on my actions.

Key aims this term:

Recruit a new team to fill people leaving
Produce a new website
Redesign the paper's layout
Improve the quality of the news content

Actions carried out since I assumed office

- Recruitment – Last year saw a significant turnover in the experienced editors at Felix. The roles have been filled and the paper has continued to run all sections that have historically been run. I have also recruited three people to help produce news content for the paper, which has historically been done just by the editor.
- Investigations - So far this term we have run two major investigations and have three more in progress.
- Funding – The Felix print budget was cut by £10,000 allowing us to only print 16 issues. I secured an additional £5,000 pounds of Union funding.
- Website – The previous Felix website was not fit for use. I have signed a contract with a professional software engineer who is in the process of building Felix a website. The lifetime of this website is expected to be 10-15 years. This website is still in a state called the minimum viable product, with many features not yet added. However, features are being added incrementally. The completion date is projected to be in March. Funding for this is being sought via the Harlington fund.
- New layout – I have produced a new layout for the paper.
- Moved office – I moved computers from the Felix office (capacity 2) to MR5 (capacity 5) to allow editors to layout in person.
- New workflow – I introduced a new workflow based around weekly meetings to encourage sections to collaborate and share skills. This new workflow has also allowed the paper to function entirely remotely. This is based around remote desktop software and Microsoft teams.
- New features – Cryptic crossword, social calendar, best dressed at Imperial, comics, custom illustrations



Aims going forward into next term

- I plan on increasing the frequency of investigations
- Improve publication schedule
- Recruit more people
- Publish more articles written by Union and College staff