

### Hi!

### I'm Shane and I want to be your next SU President.

I will refocus the SU so it becomes a union that works for you each and every day.

As President, I won't be afraid to defend the rights of students, one of which is the right to have the best possible university experience, whether that means access to affordable accommodation or improved student services. I have stood up for this in the past in my roles as JCR President and TSM Convenor, as well as campaign manager in the referendum against student levies.

I believe the SU has yet to realise its full potential. My vision is of a union that listens and truly serves the students it represents. My pledge to give this job my all is rooted in a firm belief that the student body can bring about change, be it big or small.

I hope that through my ideas we can bring about such change and refocus the SU together.

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#### Voting will take place...

- ... on Monday (19/02) in Trinity Hall
- ... from Tuesday to Thursday (20-22/02) in the Arts Block and the Hamilton Building
- ... off-campus in D'Olier Street, St. James and Tallaght (dates TBC)

# DE RÍS FOR PRESIDENT



## What I will do for you:

### **REFOCUS SERVICES**

- I will expand the Accommodation Advisory Service to run workshops throughout the year to assist students in finding houses, as well as lobbying college and the government to provide more student housing.
- I will run a consultation process with students in devising the plans for the Student Centre. The SU must listen to what students want.
- I will ensure that the SU assists students in **upskilling** throughout their time in college. I will re-introduce the courses such as barista training, bar training and so on. Many students need a part-time job during their time in college, the **SU must help** them with this.
- I will ensure that the SU addresses any **challenges** that arise during the implementation of the Trinity Education Project.
- I will work with student services such as the Counselling Service and Disability Service, in **fighting to protect and improve** the vital services they provide to students.



### REFOCUS STUDENT EXPERIENCE

- I will hold weekly clinics beyond House 6, listening to students in the Hamilton, in TBSI, in D'Olier and other places, to find out what it is they want from their SU.
- I will establish a **Diversity Campaign Group** to tackle head on the problems evident in diversifying leadership in Trinity. The SU must ensure Trinity's diversity is represented in all aspects of college, from Class Reps to society committees.
- I will expand the consent campaign run in Trinity Hall to also be run on campus. The SU has made great progress on this issue but there is more to be done.
- I will mobilise a campaign **against the increasing price** of on-campus and Trinity Hall Accommodation.

### **REFOCUS CAMPAIGNS**

- I will prioritise the SU Campaigns on the issue of **Higher Education Funding**, an issue which affects the whole student body. The SU must be more vocal in this fight.
- I will pledge my full support and that of the SU to campaigns such as TCD Plastic Solutions, End Direct Provision, and the Disability Rights campaign to name but a few. The SU must act as a catalyst in supporting student-led activism both inside and outside of college.
- I will **reform** the SU Lobby Group so that it is more effective in lobbying on behalf of students. I will publish a **policy manual**, detailing the aims of the SU lobbying efforts. The SU must be **speak up** on behalf of students.
- I will not let the movement to Repeal the 8th Amendment lose momentum. The SU has worked **tirelessly** to establish this movement, the next SU President must look beyond repeal and fight to ensure that **free**, **safe**, **and legal** access to abortion is legislated for.

### Vote Shane De Rís for President