Electoral Malpractice includes, but is not limited to, the following activities:

- Making false or misleading claims intended to influence the election
- Bribery - Intimidation - Distributing physical campaign material
- Making dangerous or libellous statements about a candidate
- Using a vehicle to convey members to the Poll
- Campaigning using any University e-mail system · Creating websites or promotional videos · Claiming to represent or be supported by any political, racial or religious group · Candidates marking manifesto booklets
- Hindering the Returning Officer or their Deputies - Unauthorised access or attempted access to another's personal electronic files
- Making slanderous or libellous statements about a candidate
- Involvement of a candidate in malpractice
- Breach of the Returning Officer's instructions
- Any breach of this rule or complaint regarding the conduct of a candidate in the election should be reported to the Returning Officer, at the Oxford Union.

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**Stronger claims**
- **Raised / Secured** – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for the production or negotiation of a contractual arrangement, to claim to have raised/secured funds or partnerships.
- **Brought** – the candidate must prove that a speaker visited the Society as a direct result of their interest in response to their proposition, and further progress from this towards a confirmed negotiation of a contractual arrangement, to claim to have raised/secured funds or partnerships.
- **Confirmed** – the candidate must prove primary control of an event, its inception and its development. Where primary control is shared comparably with another member, co-organised shall be used.
- **Responsible for / Led / Ran** – the candidate must prove primary responsibility for the content of claim.
- **Arranged** – the candidate must prove a substantial degree of control of an event and its development, but not the contribution to inception that any organised claim requires.

**Weaker claims**
- **Facilitated / Assisted / Worked** – proof has been provided for a lower level of involvement in an event or project suitable for these claims.
- **Supervised / Oversaw / Co-ordinated** – proof has been provided that a candidate contributed significantly to an event, usually but not necessarily the logistics or hospitality.
- **Organised / Facilitated** – proof has been provided for a lower level of involvement in an event or project suitable for these claims.
- **Supported / Assisted** – proof has been provided that a candidate contributed significantly to an event, usually but not necessarily the logistics or hospitality.
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Candidates for President
with overall responsibility for the Society and for arranging its debates

Genevieve Athus
Chris Church, Librarian

New Way
The Union needs a President who will respond to Members - someone who will listen to you. I want to create a bigger more open space where all voices can be heard. I will stand for: -
- Enhanced transparency - Dedicating myself to ensuring clarity and integrity in the Union through -
- Enhancing the Office - I will make a 100% commitment to my role, leading by example. I will strive to make a difference in your Union, and make sure that we are seen as the leader of the University.

Nick Brown
Magdalen College, Secretary

New Way
I will work hard to be a strong leader, and I will value our relationships with students and the wider community. I will ensure that we create a Union that is more transparent and accountable, and that we make sure that all members feel heard and valued. I will stand for:
- Enhanced transparency, more open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Candidates for Librarian
with responsibility for the Library and for arranging individual speaker addresses

Becky Collins
Balliol College, Standing Committee

New Way
I will ensure that the Union works hard to provide you with a better experience. I will stand for:
- More open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Candidates for Treasurer
with responsibility for the raising of sponsorship and buildings maintenance

Charlie Coverman
Branesmore College, Director of Sponsorship

New Way
I want to work with you to raise more money, and put that money back into the Union. I will stand for:
- More open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Candidates for Secretary
with responsibility for the terms and social events and for managing Standing Committee meetings

Charlie Coverman
Balliol College, Standing Committee

New Way
I will ensure that the Union works hard to provide you with a better experience. I will stand for:
- More open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Candidates for Standing Committee
members of the Society's governing body, to assist the Officers and plan social events

Shiwing Zhao
University College, Secretary's Committee

New Way
I will ensure that the Union works hard to provide you with a better experience. I will stand for:
- More open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Candidates for Secretary's Committee

With running social events and distributing publicity

Libby Bromley
St. Edmund's Hall, Secretary's Committee

New Way
- More open space
- More inclusive events
- Stronger leadership

Olivia Ralton
Wadham College, Secretary's Committee

New Way
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Want to get involved next term?
To run for election in the Society, you must make a certain number of qualifying speeches within the public debates either in the Emergency, Floor, or After Debate. Nominations open at 9:30am, Friday 5th Week, and close at 3pm on the following Friday. If you would like to get involved with the administration of the Society without running for election, you can participate in the running of the Elections as a Deputy Returning Officer by applying in writing to the President by 3pm on Monday of 2nd Week. If you have any questions about running in elections, or you need impartial advice, please feel free to contact the Returning Officer (ro@oxford-union.org).