Agenda

1. What does a ‘Bursar’ do anyway?
2. Finances
3. Accommodation
4. Other things worth a mention
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Role of the Bursar

- All things **financial** – looks after the College income and expenditure.

- All things **operational** – looks after Catering, Porters, HR, Buildings, Maintenance, Housekeeping and Gardens.

- All things **compliance and regulatory** – looks after health and safety, fire precautions, data protection etc.
Finances (1)

- **Tuition Fees** – ‘Home’ vs. ‘Overseas’. EU students moving from ‘home’ to ‘overseas’ from 2021-22. Loans for Home students – £9,250 pa currently. Not means tested. All paid directly to us. Repayment after graduation, dependent on income.

- **Living Costs** – Home students can also get a maintenance loan, paid in termly instalments into bank account. In 2020-21:
  - £10,539 maximum (<£25k household income).
  - £3,410 minimum (>£58k household income).
  - Repaid in same way as Tuition.

- **The College Bill** – Many College charges are made through termly College Bill. Accommodation is charged termly upfront. Other costs, e.g. servery and bar, can be put on the bill, payable at start of next term.
Finances (2)

- **Cambridge Bursary Scheme** – University-wide bursary scheme for Home students. £3,500 max (<£25k household income), with sliding scale to £42k household income. Selwyn also participates in an additional ‘top up’ scheme with some other Colleges to provide further help. Usually paid automatically using Student Loans Company data.

- **College Student Support Funds** – Selwyn also has additional funds to support students financially. Both for urgent and unexpected needs, or bridging – e.g. if Student Loans Company monies are received late. Student’s Tutor is the gateway to these funds.
Accommodation

• Selwyn offers accommodation for all undergraduates. Enough rooms for every undergraduate who wants one.

• All on one site. All rooms are in the three main courts of the College – Old Court (historic), Cripps Court (1960s, upgraded 2014) and Ann’s Court (2000s) – or nearby houses.

• No sharing and 64% en-suite. Freshers are all together in Cripps Court – where all rooms are en-suite.

• Only pay for when you’re here. You only pay for the 30 weeks of term per year. Weekly rents between £113 and £192 (2020-21) including utilities and broadband.

• Option to stay in the vacations. Additional rent payable at the same rates (2 weeks free over Christmas/New Year).
Other things worth a mention

• **Catering.** New servery, good quality food at c.£4-5 per day, vegetarian option at every meal, other dietary requirements accommodated. Hall open all day for coffees and snacks. Formals twice a week in term in normal times.

• **New Bar** (opened 2019). Open all afternoon and evening. Coffees and snacks as well as alcoholic and soft drinks.

• **New Library & Auditorium** – going up as we speak. Open 2021.

• **Selwyn is very central.** Next to the Sidgwick site and the University Library. New West Cambridge site nearby.

• **Transport.** Getting around in Cambridge is cheap – bike and walk nearly everywhere.

• **Porters.** Porters’ Lodge is open 24/7. The Porters are friendly and here to help.