QUEENS' JCR GLOSSARY

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1 - JCR THINGS

The JCR - the 'junior combination room'. This is the body of undergraduate members of the college. All undergraduate students are automatically JCR members. The JCR might also be called the 'JCR body' or 'JCR membership' to distinguish it with the JCR Committee, which itself is abbreviated to the JCR very often.

The MCR is the 'middle combination room' and is the postgraduate (so master's and PhD students) of the JCR. **The SCR** is the 'senior combination room', which contains the fellows of the college.

The JCR Committee - the committee of JCR members elected or co-opted to represent the JCR. The make-up of the committee is specified in the Appendix to the JCR Constitution.

JCR Committee Meetings - meetings of the JCR Committee that happen weekly or fortnightly during term. This is where the JCR Committee will officially meet to discuss the affairs and happenings of the college and vote on various matters. Any JCR member can speak, but not vote. Minutes are taken and distributed by the JCR secretary, who also prepares the agenda and receives any apologies form JCR Committee members who can't attend. The JCR Committee will also meet informally and online to plan initiatives and ideas.

JCR Subcommittees - the Appendix of the JCR Constitution allows for subcommittees of the JCR. One of which is QEnts

QEnts (Queens' Entertainments) - the entertainments subcommittee of the JCR. In the past this has operated very separately to the JCR, but it was brought under the JCR, with the QEnts President sitting as a JCR Committee member.

The JCR Constitution – the governing document of the JCR, currently available at https://qjcr.org.uk/jcr/constitution/.

The Appendix - This document that adds additional information to the JCR Constitution, principally in defining the JCR Committee positions, election rules and subcommittees. It does not need Governing Body approval to edit.

The JCR Office - A shared space between the JCR and MCR 'executive' officers (the President, VP/Secretary and Treasurer) to use as a meeting space. JCR and MCR archives, and some supplies, are also kept here. This room was previously called the JCR Store before its renovation, and the installation of a new sports and societies' cupboard/locker in the underground car park.

JCR Policy - The official principle or course of action of the JCR. There's two kinds of JCR Policy - Committee Policy that's set by the JCR Committee to set out its positions and procedures not covered in the appendix; and Referendum Policy which is a more powerful position set by a referendum of the whole student body.

Committee Policy vs Referendum Policy Document: see this link

The JCR Room - A.K.A the Solarium, this is a common room for the JCR body which can be found in AA staircase on the third floor. This room wasn't a JCR-managed space until 2011 and it was in 2019 that the room was done up with a new TV, bean bags, cactus garden and games. There are printers and computers in there that are run by the college IT Department.

You might hear alumni or fellows call QBar the 'JCR bar' or 'the JCR' since this space was previously seen as a JCR-run space.

2 - COLLEGE ENTITIES

The College Union - the umbrella body for the JCR, MCR and registered sports and societies of the college. It oversees society registration and funding. For more information, see: https://qjcr.org.uk/jcr/collegeunion/

The Governing Body - the Governing Body is made up of the official fellows of the college and presides over all college matters - financial, educational, tutorial etc. The Governing Body meets three times a term in a meeting of the same name. Two JCR and two MCR observers (typically JCR President and Vice-President) attend for 'unreserved business'.

MagSoc - the music society, and a registered society of Queens'.

BATS - the dramatic society, and a registered society of Queens'.

QEnts - see above, indented under 'JCR Committee'.