Programme:

Saturday 14 September

09:30  **Registration and coffee in the Auditorium foyer**

10:00  **Welcome by the Master**

10:05  **Leaving Local Authority care to go into higher education** – Research has revealed care leavers are more likely to end up in prison than at university. Recent figures suggest a rise from 6% to 12% of care leavers going on to higher education, but, when compared to 42% of the general population, it is clear there is still more to do.

Chair: Professor Nicky Padfield – Master, Fitzwilliam College and Professor of Criminal and Penal Justice, University of Cambridge
Ashley John-Baptiste (History, 2008) – Reporter, BBC
Sam Turner – Voice and Influencing Manager, Become, the Charity for Children in Care and Young Care Leavers
Sophia Hall – Freelance social policy advisor

11:00  **Break and coffee in the Auditorium foyer**

11:40  **Review of recent academic research** – Cambridge University Bursaries help with students’ academic outcomes, wellbeing and university experience, a report from the University’s Faculty of Education found in June 2019.

Introduced by: Dr Sara Owen – Fellow in Classics and Admissions Tutor for Arts and Humanities, Fitzwilliam College
Chair: Ashton Brown (PhD Education, 2014) – Child Development Researcher
Dr Sonia Ilie – Director of Studies in Education, Fitzwilliam College
Professor Anna Vignoles – Professor of Education, University of Cambridge

12:45  **Break and lunch in the Dining Hall, Central Building**
Art exhibition ‘*Pakistani Men of Cambridge*’ by Fitzwilliam student Hassan Raja (History 2018)

14:00  **Dispelling the myths** – Research indicates many sixth form teachers actively discourage their brightest students from applying to Oxbridge. If this is the case, how do potential applicants access information about what it is like to apply to and study at Oxbridge?

Introduced by: Dr Paul Chirico – Fellow in English and Senior Tutor, Fitzwilliam College
Chair: Tamsin Starr – Head of News, University of Cambridge
Ibrahim Mohammed – Social Media influencer
Sam Dobin – Director of Sixth Form, Brampton Manor Academy
Paul Seagrove – Communications Manager (Widening Participation and Access), University of Cambridge

15:30  **Break and tea in the Auditorium foyer**

16:00  **It's not (just) about the money** – what are the barriers to increasing participation in higher education from applicants from more diverse backgrounds?

Introduced by: Dr Robert Abayasekara – Fellow in Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, Fitzwilliam College
Chair: Professor Graham Virgo – Professor of English Private Law and Pro-Vice Chancellor for Education, University of Cambridge
Sir Kenneth Olisa (Natural Sciences, SPS and Management, 1971) – Chairman, Restoration Partners
Tom Levinson – Head of Widening Participation, University of Cambridge
James Turner – Chief Executive, The Sutton Trust
John Harding – Head of the Disability Resource Centre, University of Cambridge

17:30  **Vice-Chancellor’s closing remarks**

17:40  **Drinks and canapés in Fellows’ Court**