Land Economy Essay Competition 2018

Titles:

1. ‘Brexit provides an opportunity for the United Kingdom to become a world leader in respect of environmental governance’. Discuss.

2. A recent study suggests that the per capita GDP of Germany would increase if the population and economy of Berlin were removed from the calculation. What lessons might the UK learn from Germany in considering how to boost Northern productivity and limit the economic dominance of the capital? (The report, in German, is available here: www.iwd.de/artikel/der-wohlstandseffekt-der-hauptstadt-294893 but there was a lot of coverage of the report in the English press).

3. ‘The best way to solve the UK’s housing crisis is to make the rental market more tenant-friendly’. Discuss.

The word limit is 2000 words, including footnotes but excluding bibliography. Submitted essays must be typed in English, and every page should be numbered and marked with the entrant's name. All entrants must cite sources and secondary literature and provide a list of references at the end of the essay.

Competition rules:

This essay competition is for Lower Sixth Formers. Applicants will be required to enter their details online and to either upload one PDF copy of their essay electronically or post a hard copy to: Admissions Assistant, Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge, CB3 0DG by Tuesday 1 May 2018.

Prizes:

The prize fund is £300 with a first prize of £200. Certificates of merit may be awarded to runners up who have sufficiently impressed the judges. The College reserves the right not to award prizes if there is no entry of sufficient merit. Prizes and certificates will be awarded at the Fitzwilliam College Open Day in July.

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