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AVS/IVSA UK & Ireland Elections 2020

Name: Chantelle Woodward-Iles

Position: IVSA Promotions Officer - 1 year non-executive role - Open to any AVS member in years 1-4

(or Cambridge years 1-5) - ivsaukwebmaster@gmail.com

Vet School: The Royal Veterinary College

Year: 2

**About me:** I'm a 24 year old, second year vet student but have been studying at the RVC for the last 5 years. I am passionate about all things IVSA and have been the RVC's university rep for the last 2 years. My hobbies include horse riding, traveling, road tripping, cows and partying till the sun rises. I have a mild obsession for sloths, cows and big cats. On the last exchange at RVC, I got to spend a month in my new favourite country of South Africa, learning about their culture, wildlife and perspective on life. Ever since I have come back I cannot stop talking about it, so if we are ever stuck for conversation that is where it will be heading!

**Experience**: I have been RVC's IVSA rep for the last 2 years and sat on the SU. Part of my role was to run the RVC's IVSA social media (Facebook and Instagram) which has been effective. I have successfully run 5 exchanges, and been on three, as well as attending 68<sup>th</sup> Croatia Congress in Croatia. I feel I am very well immersed in the IVSA world and have good understanding on how it works and the great opportunities it has to offer students.

What I would try to achieve in my role: I feel like compared to AVS, IVSA is so under appreciated and little is known about it within the student body. As UK Students we don't know how lucky we are to have the opportunity to be a part of it and our fees already being paid. I would like to actively promote informative posts about IVSA on social media, detailing information on how students can engage and the amazing opportunities that are available to them. In addition, there is no proper website for the IVSA UK or facebook page, so this would be my first port of call. I want to look into creating an easy to navigate website that is regularly updated. Collaboration with AVS is key, and I feel stronger connections need to be implemented to enforce a strong team for the year ahead.

Why you should vote for me: You should vote for me because I am very passionate about IVSA, and want to keep IVSA alive and bring it up to its full potential in the UK. All my points are achievable and I will put in 100% effort to ensure they are completed within my time in this position.