# INVESTIGATION REPORT

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| Investigator Name | Roger Weston | Report Date | 15/02/2021 |
| Investigation Start Date | 15/02/2021 | Investigation End Date | 15/02/2021 |
| Candidate subject to investigation | Nathan McGaughey, Erin Laste | | |

**Evidence Review**

**List any potential evidence gathered during evidence review. Note the type of evidence and describe the surrounding circumstances of the occurrence.**

| Time | Type of Evidence | Description |
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| 15/02/2021 12:25 | Email | Original Complaint |
| 11/02/2021 12:25 | Screenshots | Appendix 1- Screenshots received as part of Original Complaint |
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**Summary & Recommendations**

**Please summarize your thoughts on this investigation and note your suggestions for follow-up or resolution of this case.**

A complaint was received regarding campaigning by the candidates Nathan McGaughey and Erin Laste before they had received their candidate briefing.

Appendix 1 shows screenshots from social media profiles where content had been posted before 8th February 2021.

The Deputy Returning Officer is happy that they had sight of the social media accounts of both Nathan and Erin before they had any followers on their pages, and that these pages were set up ready to launch after their candidate briefings. There is no evidence to show any interaction with any posts from potential voters before 6pm, 8th February.

**Decision**

There is no evidence of a breach of election regulations in relation to the complaint, and therefore no further action will be taken.

**APPENDIX 1**

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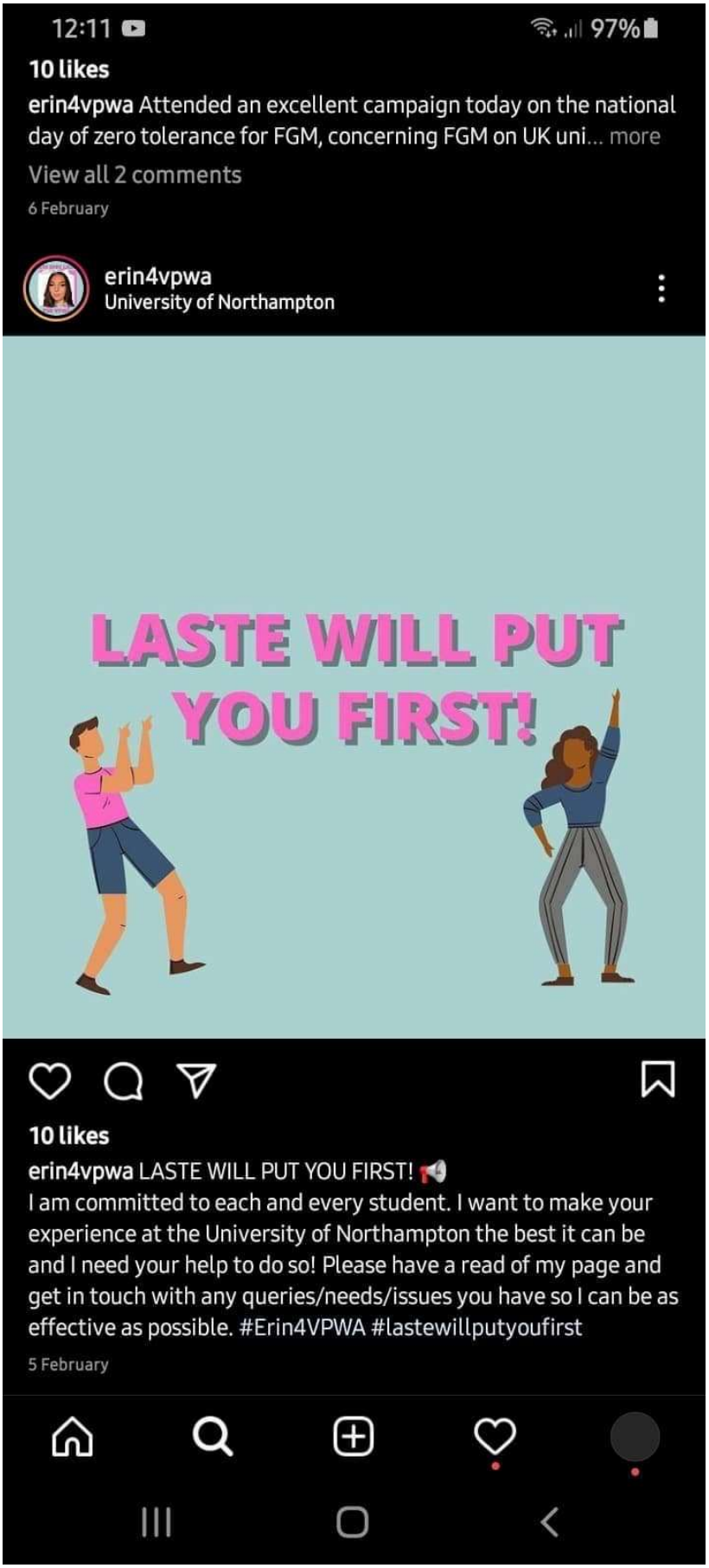
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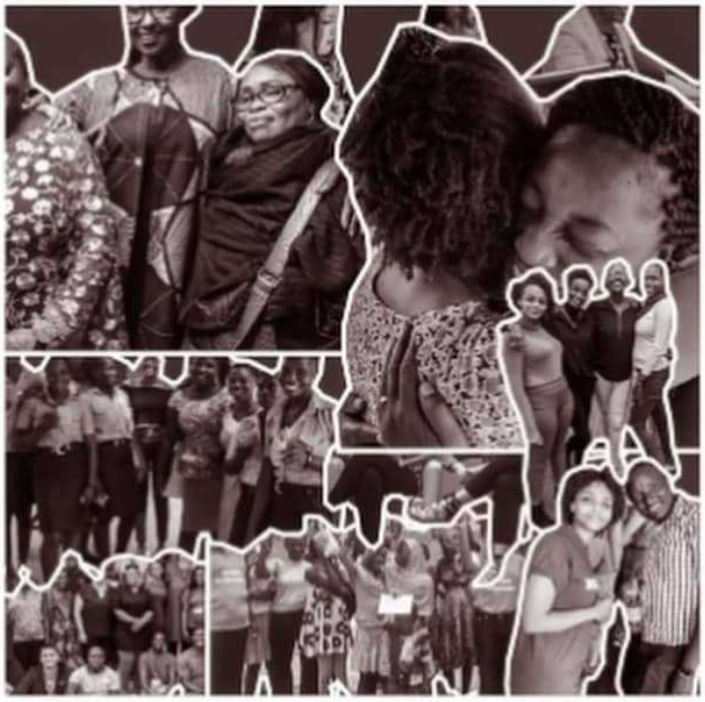

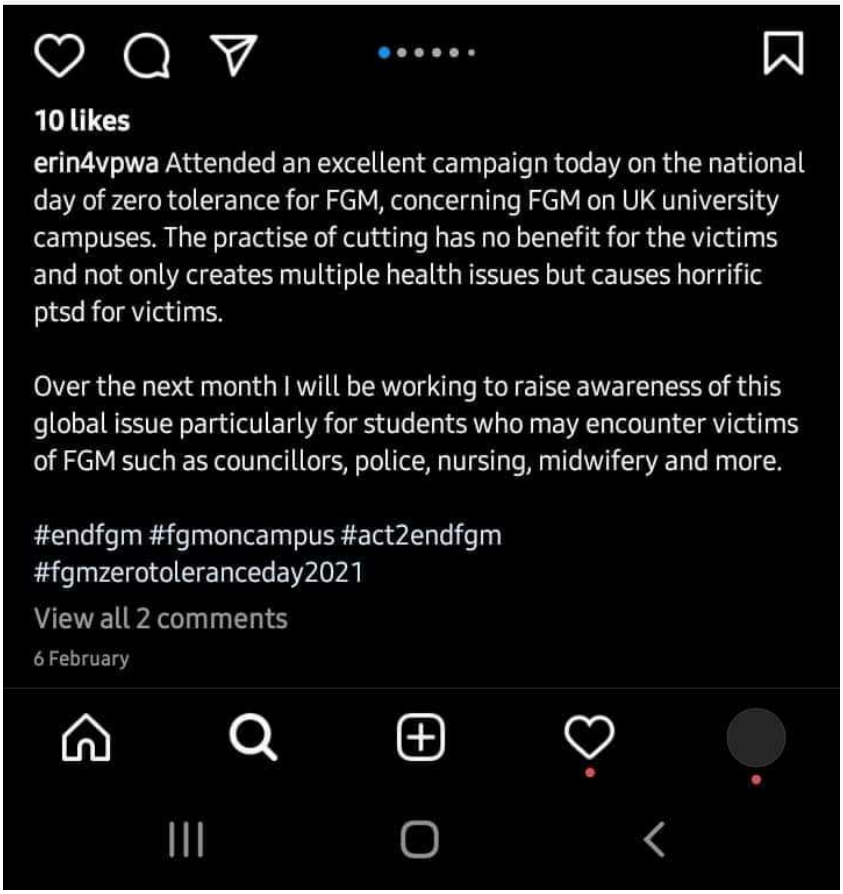
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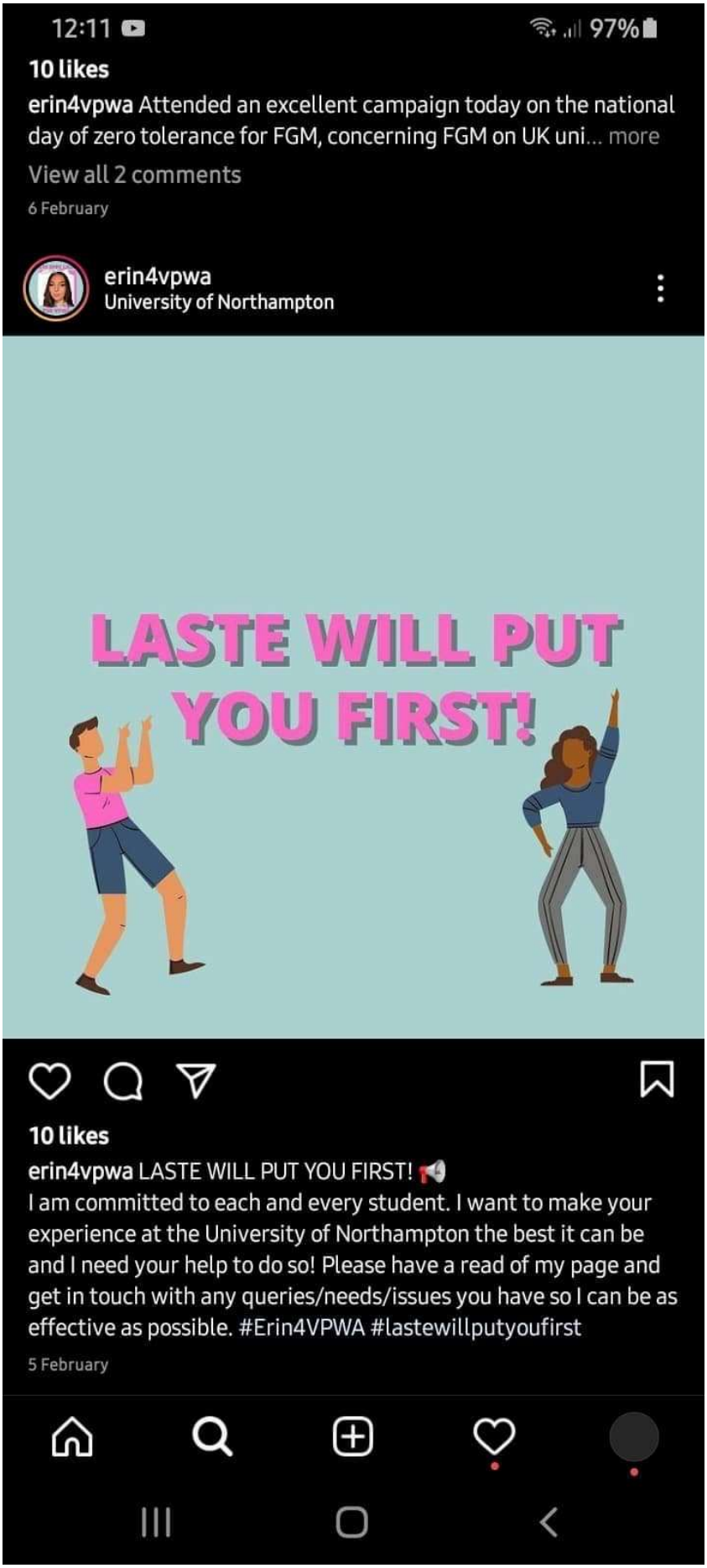
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