



## UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

### Vice President Education Report June 2019

These first couple of weeks in post have been very educational to me as a new Student Leader and also a student in learning the process and teamwork that goes into each decision and event in the SU. I want to say thank you to everyone in the office for making myself and the other Student Leaders feel welcome, and the previous sabbatical team for helping us settle in before they went off to start their next adventures.

#### Handover

Handover week began on the 10<sup>th</sup> of June, we spent the week learning about the SU and all the different networks within it. Towards the end of the week we had time to talk with the outgoing Student Leaders to discuss advice for going into the role. Tommy offered some really useful pointers on how to handle and be properly prepared for all of the committees I will attend and how my role works within them. We also had a session on the 'dos and don'ts' with the previous sabbatical team and some of the overlapping pointers were quite simple but easy to forget starting points for finding our feet in this new and unique position. Setting weekly goals using our networks and communicating with our team may seem like small tasks to set ourselves but even in the first couple of weeks these pieces of advice have already made our team stronger, and work together more effectively.

The Barge opening was an exciting event to be a part of during handover, it gave us a chance to meet some important connections for the year but to also see how the work of everyone in the SU can achieve something so amazing. These initial events that we attended helped us to network a little in meeting all the people that had helped make The Barge happen.

#### Training

At the moment we are in the midst of our induction into the union which is already proving to be an interesting and exciting experience. As I said previously we have been learning about the SU, how it runs and where we fit into the bigger picture and represent students. Currently there is little else to report on this subject but I would like to say that I am eager to learn more and put what I've learnt into practice when more students return to campus.

## Residential

This week we have been away on residential, beginning to figure out our KPIs for the year and learning how to work as part of a new team. This has been an incredibly useful experience because we have been able to develop as a team and also set our own personal goals for the year that will drive ourselves forward in the coming months all the way through to June 2020.

## What I'm looking forward to

In the upcoming months, I personally will find challenges in navigating and achieving my manifesto points, likewise as a team we will have to work hard to fulfil our roles effectively, however with the support we have received so far I am certain myself and the rest of the team are in a strong place with a great support network around us to be able to achieve everything we can in representing the students in Lincoln.

Georgia Petts

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