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UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

Vice President Activities Report June 2020

Introduction

Hello! My name is Abi Brown and I am the current and continuing Vice President Activities for 2020/21. I have just finished my first year as a sabbatical officer at Lincoln Students' Union and I am so excited to continue on my work from this year. Firstly, I would love to say thank you to all of the students who voted in the previous Students' Union Elections 2020 and had the confidence in me to fulfil this role to the best of my ability for a second year. Also, my thanks goes out to all of the members of staff and students at Lincoln Student's Union who have been working so incredibly hard since Covid-19 affected us to ensure we can still provide opportunities and support to our students.

Reflecting on 19/20

Over the past 12 months, I have learnt a breadth and depth of knowledge, experiences and opportunities. My favourite projects from this year include the Lincoln Together Campaign and Workshops, reviewing and developing a new BUCS Funding Model, working with Rhys our Societies Officer to get the highest student turnout for 8/10 Swans, increasing the awareness of our Sports, Societies and Academic Societies Events through regular updates to Activities Members. Working in partnership with the Rugby Clubs and Simon Parkes to provide alternative training venues during the poor weather conditions. In addition, following Covid-19, I have really enjoyed the last three months as it has given me the opportunity to reflect upon the previous year. It has provided me with time to develop ideas and proposals, consider our online presence and how we can move forward following the impact on Covid-19 of campus.

Plans for the Year Ahead

I recognise how important it is to support and represent our students to ensure they have the best experience possible and I promise to do my best to ensure this is at the forefront of everything I do over the next year.

I am keen to provide Look After Your Mate Training to all Activities Committees, improve conflict and signposting skills. In addition, improve and provide the Lincoln Together training to Part-Time Officers and Committee Members.

Working with Rhino, our kit provider, to ensure that the overall kit application, quality and delivery process is improved and guarantee that risk is mitigated for our teams.

To continue to develop the Academic Societies Programme with Georgia Petts and strive for Automatic enrolment for Academic Societies. To build the relationship between our Academic Societies and our Reps to build a strong platform for feedback.

Improve communication with our Activities Committees by promoting our clubs wins of the week, events, fundraisers, and tips through emails, social media and utilising the digital screens on campus.

To offer Para-Sport Opportunities on campus, to work with Amina to increase international participation in Activities, to create a Trans In Sport Policy for Lincoln Students' Union, and to build a Give it A Go Programme interlinked with volunteering on campus.

To make Activities paperless by making Expense Claim Forms, Sponsorships and Signatures online.

Training

The 8th of June was the start of working with the new Student Leaders for the 20/21 Academic Year. James (CEO) and Hannah (Deputy CEO) have worked incredibly hard to provide an in depth training programme for the first couple of months, including a handover with the previous Sabbatical Officers. This training has lasted several weeks and will continue until August, which will give us the knowledge and tools we require to make genuine positive change for our students and work as an effective team.

I am very excited to work alongside Amina, Lucy, Bailey and Georgia this year. In addition, I am dedicated to getting to know all of the Activities Committee Members, to build a relationship so I can be utilised for feedback and positive change. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at any point throughout the next year, my email is activities@lincolnsu.com so do send me any questions or feedback you may have.