



UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION  
President – Cassie Coakley- September 2019 Report

From graduations, to Freshers to 179 high street, myself and the team have had the busiest month to date; including our biggest Freshers yet! September has been crazy!

At the beginning of the month myself and the rest of the our amazing SU team travelled to our friends over at Loughborough university Students' Union, sharing best practise to see how each could represent students to its highest capability. Important discussions formed around concepts such as 'new rep systems', commercial, RAG and of course Sport. It was a pleasure meeting the sabbaticals and the rest of their team.

This month I also chaired my first 'Board of Trustees' where myself and the rest of the board discussed key themes regarding governance and representation. If anyone has any questions on who is on the Board and how we work, please go to <https://lincolnsu.com/your-union/how-we-are-run/trustees> to found out more.

From a university perspective I have been working hard in the LEAP project with our VPE and CEO to see how we can breakdown attainment gaps and widening diversity within the university project lead by DVC Liz Mossop. Also, I attended the University Board of Governors where I also presented the SU's 'key performance indicators' for the year including financials, commercial and SUMS.

Linking into my role as a governor, I was also very lucky to represent the Board of Governors at this year's graduations. For this I was part of the academic procession seeing every school graduate. I am so proud of our students and their accomplishments. Was an honour to be a part of your special day and seeing you 'doff' to the procession.

September only means one thing in Lincoln...FRESHERS' WEEK! This years Freshers has been our biggest yet with not only events on campus, but also off campus too! We had bigger numbers than ever with over 18,000 students attending events from our fayres, to our quiz to obviously Quack! I think top highlights for me were singing "Life is a roller coaster' by Ronan Keating at the Swan and obviously Quack and our Quiz! Thank you to everyone who got involved and look out for the rest of our weekly events throughout the

year! Make sure to check out [www.lincolnsu.com](http://www.lincolnsu.com) to keep up with all our events for the upcoming year.

The final thing to mention in my report is of 179. Just a few days ago it had come to our attention that the project 179 High Street accommodation was going to be delayed substantially. This was not at the fault of the university's but of the contractors due to actions out of our hands. Once the university had found out of this problem, their main focus was to talk to the students effected to make sure everyone knew and were going to be supported. The university have been in contact with the SU throughout this process and I am confident in saying that everything they do, is for our students. If you however have being affected by this and need some extra support, please email [advice@lincolnsu.com](mailto:advice@lincolnsu.com) for independent advice on your situation.

Here is to a great academic term!

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