



UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

## **Student Leader Report – May 2018**

### **Luke Exton - Vice President Activities**

#### **SUGgestions**

Sports Centre Cushions - #NoNumbBums -  
<https://lincolnsu.com/suggestions/view/105>

They are now here! Here's the video:

<https://www.facebook.com/WeAreLincolnULSU/videos/1626297034136240/>

Massive thank you again to the University and Sports Centre for financing this and making it possible! Excited to see students use it heading into next year!

Rebound Boards - <https://lincolnsu.com/suggestions/view/106>

I've now had confirmation that this has been added to the Estates team's 'Summer Priorities' job list. I've also been in conversations with the Sports Centre Manager who has assured me they are currently looking at getting in quotes for a drop down net which will also prevent balls from going underneath.

Team Shelters on the Astro turf - <https://lincolnsu.com/suggestions/view/194>

This SUGgestion will be something that is carried through over summer and I will work with the incoming Vice-President Activities, Cassie, to ensure this is one of the top thing on her priorities list! Quick research from myself has shown 4 shelters to cost as little as £10,000 – given the financial constraints, this is something that will have to be in the new financial year.

#### **We Are Lincoln Awards**

During May we had our annual We Are Lincoln Awards. I was fortunate enough to comper the event with Olympic Bronze and Silver medallist, Jon Schofield.

The event was a massive success, receiving positive feedback all round! We've also conducted a thorough debrief of the event and the Activities team and I have put together a list of things that we are able to improve heading into next year!

Photos are up! Just in case you missed it, here's the album again:

[https://www.facebook.com/pg/WeAreLincolnULSU/photos/?tab=album&album\\_id=992160280938931](https://www.facebook.com/pg/WeAreLincolnULSU/photos/?tab=album&album_id=992160280938931)

Finally, I just wanted to pass on a massive thank you again to everyone who came to the event, you made it truly special and it'll be something that will stay with me for the rest of my life.

### **Sports and Societies Tour**

The invoices for sponsorship have now been sent! I've spent a portion of this month ensuring that the right amount of money will be going to each respective sport/society – putting together a comprehensive list for each person who went on tour.

The Activities team and I have also met with ILOVETOUR and the representatives the SU will be working with next year. We have fed back everything that needed to be improved heading into next year's tour and I'm confident that the ILOVETOUR team will deliver. It's going to be the biggest and best tour ever next year!

### **ASM Questions**

Following on from the ASM that was held at the end of the month, I have collated all of the additional comments and questions that didn't have the opportunity to be asked and have sent them across to Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Simon Parkes.

I have since spoken to each party and distributed his responses over the phone to each respective club/society/individual.

### **Going Out and Talking**

As the year has been winding down, with things like BUCS coming to an end and the year just generally rounding off and students going home for summer, I've been making a conscious effort to maintain good levels of with our students!

I have had numerous catch-ups with our incoming cluster reps for next year. I have also been assisting with handovers for a multitude of Activities, mainly explaining what the SU is there for and what they can do for them, whilst also aiding in conducting an effective handover. I have also been fortunate enough to spend time at some End of Year meals/events with both the Hockey club and the Business society as a representative of the SU.

I have also attended numerous showcase events for students who are at the end of their year(s)/end of degrees. This includes both the Photography showcase as well as the Computer Science showcase. I spent the majority of my team speaking to students about their work and just representing the Students' Union. I have also spent some time GOATing to find out what the SU can do for our students to help them destress for Mental Health Awareness week.

Finally, I have been involved with the Assessment Centre that the Union recently put on – I was there to answer any questions about the SU whilst also explaining who Student Leaders are and why we exists. I was also just interacting with candidates, helping develop ideas where possible for the tasks at hand.

## **BUCS**

### **Regional Meeting**

During May I also attended the BUCS Regional Meeting. I was there in my capacity as VP Activities and represented Lincoln students. This meeting was disappointing as BUCS weren't really able to provide any answers to the questions we were asking, such as where the #HowActiveRU survey results, the issues with BUCS points and placings not being uploaded for certain events and clarification around BUCS' partnership with ESports' NGB.

This all being said, I was able to network with other instructions to explore the sort of challenges they were facing with BUCS as well as local issues. These were quite productive conversations, however nothing to report to Lincoln students.

### **BUCS Funding**

As some people may be aware, the decisions around BUCS funding have now been communicated to the respective teams. There are a number of teams who wish to appeal the funding decision made. I have spent some time with those respective teams explaining how the decision was made and what sort of things they might want to consider putting in their appeals. These conversations were very productive and it was quite clear where the pitfalls for each team were.

As a final reminder – the appeals deadline is 1<sup>st</sup> June, appeals to be sent to [ceo@lincolnsu.com](mailto:ceo@lincolnsu.com)!

## **Handover**

Finally, a large portion of my time has been writing up all my handover notes to Cassie, the incoming Vice-President Activities.

I have prepared numerous presentations as well as written notes to ensure we conduct an effective handover. These sort of things are mainly what projects I'd like to see Cassie carry forward into her tenure, whilst also offering advice and learning points based off my experience in the role.

## **Goodbyes!**

This is my last ever officer report so I just wanted to take the opportunity to say a massive thank you to each and every single person I've had the pleasure of working with this past year – it's been an honour and a privilege. Here's to the next year!