



## UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN STUDENTS' UNION

### **Vice President – Welfare and Community report**

#### **Introduction**

This month I have been working to ensure a smooth handover to next year's team. I have also been meeting my remaining objectives for the year.

#### **Campaigns network**

We had our end of year social to celebrate our wins from the past year. We have also seen the shine the light campaign launched. The community officer's foodbank campaign is up and running if you wish to donate food please drop this off at accommodation reception at cygnet wharf building B. We have also seen some of the final events for this year with guide dogs coming onto campus. It's been a brilliant first year to the campaigns network the project, leader's officers and volunteers have worked tremendously hard this year.

#### **Projects scrutiny groups**

I have continued to sit on MHT group this project is proving to be a slight inconvenience to students but largely issues are being dealt with promptly by the contractors.

#### **On campus health centre**

I have been working with the university estates team to revise the signs around campus to ensure that the health is more visible to students especially for students who are unfamiliar with the NHS

#### **Green Impact**

The students' union was audited for the NUS green impact award scheme the union has been working hard this year to reduce our negative impact on the environment and this progress made in one year has been brilliant and the audit went very well.

#### **Community**

We have received many compliments from all the student who volunteer with the make a difference week and I wanted to pass on my thanks to all those who came and helped out throughout the various events.

## **Holbeach**

I spent a day at the Holbeach campus talking to our distance learners this was a very insightful day and I have recommended that all student leaders next year spend at least one day here.

## **Diversity festival**

This went really well despite the rain with many community groups coming together alongside students to celebrate our differences and learn from one another.

## **Tackling Hate Crime**

This month I chaired the university advisory group on tackling hate crime. Online reporting of hate crimes will be available in the new term starting in September a campaign will also be launched around this to ensure that students and staff know where they can report incidents and also report things that they have seen which can then be documented and passed onto the police to ensure that we combat the rise in hate.

## **MHAW**

We held various events for the mental health awareness week. Thank you to all those who took part if you feel you need advice or support do seek out the SU advice Centre and the university wellbeing service.

## **Housing Survey**

This year's data from the housing survey will be used to set a benchmark for future surveys and from next year the students union will conduct the accommodation survey annually and publish the results to students to ensure they know what previous tenants have said and to celebrate the work of good landlords but also work with landlords to address areas of concern.

## **Final Report**

This will be my very last report as your Vice President Welfare & Community I wanted to take the time to thank everyone who gave me their support during the course of the last year this is not your typical job. This year has gone in a flash but I will always remember this year and the challenges and also the successes. While I get ready to handover to Grace I will not stop representing your views and try to make your time here at Lincoln that little bit better.

I give my thanks to you for the times I have succeeded and give you my apologies for the times I have fallen short. While I was the future once I am moving on from Lincoln if you wish to keep in contact find me on Facebook or on LinkedIn.

If you have any concerns over the next few weeks please email [Welfare@lincolnsu.com](mailto:Welfare@lincolnsu.com) and after the 15<sup>th</sup> June Grace Corn will be your fabulous new VP Welfare and Community will be replying.