

Have your say

Union Meeting with your Executive Officers

Libby Sinclair
President

The Level, City SU | 13/11/2025 | 18:00 - 20:00

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House Keeping

- Toilets
- Emergency Exits
- Appointment of Vice-Chair

Attendees

Chair Person

- Libby Sinclair

Executive Officers

- Mischa Dooley
- Ryan Turner
- Ben Parker
- Joe Cormack
- Jasmyn Smith
- Paige Skelland

Campus Officers

- Della Pinnock

President

VP Education

VP Postgraduate

VP Opportunities

VP Community and Welfare

VP Sport

Brackenhurst Officer

Mansfield Officer

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Apologies

Staff Protocols

- Members should note that reference should not be made to any member of NTU or NTSU staff, as they do not have right to reply.
- This applies in all reports and the conversation in the meeting.
- Staff in attendance are here at the invitation of the President in a support capacity.
- Any information they provide will be factual only, and they will not participate in any vote.

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Agenda

- Apologies
- Agenda
- Staff Protocols
- Minutes
- Reports
- NTSU Impact Report
- Finances
- Affiliation
- NTSU Officer Review
- Any Other Business (AOB)
- Future Meetings

Minutes

- The minutes of the previous Annual Meeting is pending ratification by this meeting. The document can be found at: [2024 11 21 UMMinutes.docx](#)

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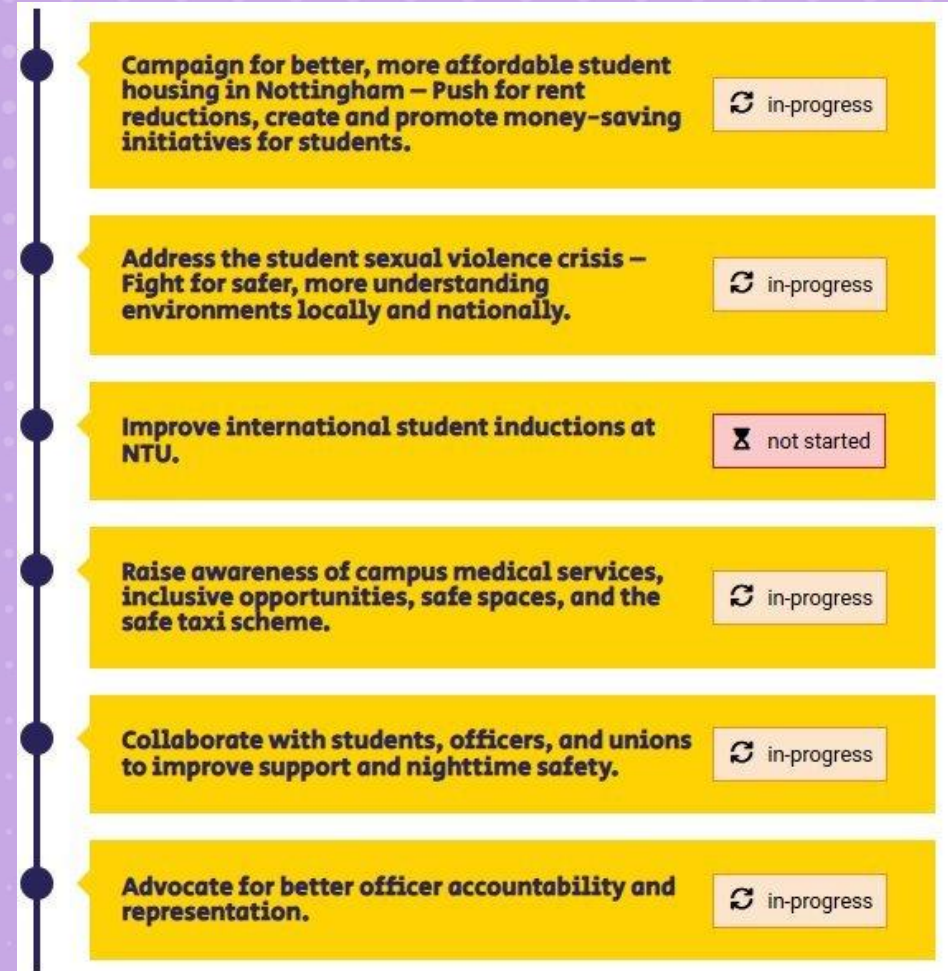
Report – Executive Team

- Completed a thorough two-week induction period.
- Lead, trained and recruited 200 Freshers Team volunteers who helped support our events and move ins during fresher's week.
- Maintained NTSU presence in all summer Graduations.
- Engaged in Mental Health First Aid training, Antisemitism training, Safe Space Pledge Training, Anti-Islamophobia training.
- Successfully undergone training to become Consent is Everything Facilitators.
- Attended NUS Lead and Change.



Report – Libby Sinclair

- Worked with the Consent Team to develop SV Disclosure training for Exec.
- Became a member of NTU Board of Governors- in depth training and Student representative conference in London.
- Updated and improved the Freshers Team programme, increasing time off and incentives for both officers and volunteers, organising two social nights.
- Wrote papers for university committees and presented updates and priorities of all the officers at the highest level of the University.
- Met with the New Vice Chancellor of the University to introduce him to NTSU and what we do on his first day.



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Report – Mischa Dooley

- Focus groups for Access statements and Extensions – working with students to see where they would prefer to have access to accessibility help on the NOW page.
- Course Rep and School Officer inductions – helping to induct over 600 throughout October.
- Working with Employability – collaborating with Employability to increase awareness and provide engaging and informative workshops.
- ACL APP project (Active Collaborative Learning Access participation Plan) Academic Workstream group focusing on expansion of the SCALE-UP and TBL across all schools, working collaboratively throughout the year.
- Visited the NTU London Campus to engage with students and find out more about their experiences.

Make NECs more accessible and confidential for students.

 in-progress

Streamline the Access Statement process for easier support.

 in-progress

Improve awareness of student employment opportunities.

 in-progress

Provide CV and interview prep workshops for graduating students.

 not started

Report – Ryan Turner

- Meetings with NTU timetabling to see what courses are taught on Wednesday afternoons and reviewed the policy on timetabling for PGT.
- Conversations with Nottingham Law School staff to suggest a poster that outlines the rights as a renter under the new Renters' Rights Bill.
- Course reps and School officer interviews and inductions.
- Advocated for better housing during the fresher's period in regard to issues that were brought to my attention during the period.
- Engagement with international student events and committees.



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Report – Ben Parker

- Held the first Society Assembly of the academic year.
- Hosted events in both City and Clifton Global Lounge.
- Working with senior members of the University to support academic societies.
- Hosted a focus group on Mansfield with first year students.
- Created and opened an application form for the upcoming Trent's Got Talent.

Incentivise students to become society committee members.

🔄 in-progress

Offer free socials, networking, and skills workshops for committees.

⌛ not started

Bridge the gap between courses and academic societies with VP Education.

🔄 in-progress

Advocate for schools to invest more in student societies.

🔄 in-progress

Promote societies via regular spotlight videos on SU social media.

⌛ not started

Support societies to run events across multiple campuses.

🔄 in-progress

Provide resources and incentives for cross-campus society activities.

⌛ not started

Report – Joe Cormack

- Working around night time safety, looking at improving the Safe Space Pledge.
- I have been elected as a member of NUS Democratic Procedures Committee.
- I have been working on campaigns for EDI celebration and awareness days.
- I have been working alongside the University to explore ways in which we can reach students who are harder to reach than your average student.
- Myself and the and VP Sport have been working on developing peer-led mental health training.

Promote mental health initiatives and expand support services.

🔄 in-progress

Push for peer-led mental health training workshops.

🔄 in-progress

Collaborate with affiliated venues to improve safety through staff bystander training, awareness campaigns, and better reporting.

🔄 in-progress

Continue support for Safe Taxi, Ask for Angela, and drug awareness initiatives.

🔄 in-progress

Gather and act on student feedback about housing.

⌚ not started

Introduce an accreditation scheme highlighting fair, student-friendly landlords.

⌚ not started

Launch campaigns addressing violence, drug misuse, and mental health stigma while empowering student ambassadors to promote safety, support, and positive change across campus.

🔄 in-progress

Improve academic support and promote wellbeing breaks for students.

⌚ not started

Report – Jasmyn Smith

- I was elected as BUCS Student Officer over summer at Conference 2025.
- Worked with UON sports officer to change the way the Varsity strategic management board operates to support the series.
- Helped to deliver committee training with NTU Sport in September.
- Supported NTU Sport clubs throughout tasters and tryouts (and got to try some new things myself!)
- Helped to appoint the new Head Coach of NTU Cheerleading.



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Report – Paige Skelland

- Led the Brackenhurst freshers' team, welcomed new students on to campus
- Spoke to societies at fresher's fair asking them about their plans for students at Brack and how they are planning to involve them
- Completed a two week induction period so I am knowledgeable in my role
- Filmed a Brack tour for students wondering what we have to offer
- Hosted and attended events at Brack bar so Brackenhurst students feel comfortable to talk to me about any issues they may have

Be an approachable and confident voice for Brackenhurst students.

⌚ not started

Represent quieter students and encourage their involvement on campus.

⌚ not started

Support students to explore more opportunities and feel included at Brack.

⌚ not started

Improving the night bus service.

⌚ not started

Work on integration between campuses.

⌚ not started

Report – Della Pinnock

- Spoken at Mansfield Matriculation in September.
- Hosted Mansfield Talks, alongside Ben, the VP Opportunities.
- Ran a stall at an event known as Afternoon at Mansfield.
- Ran a stall at the wellbeing event at Mansfield in October.
- Attended various meetings where I have represented the students on the site.



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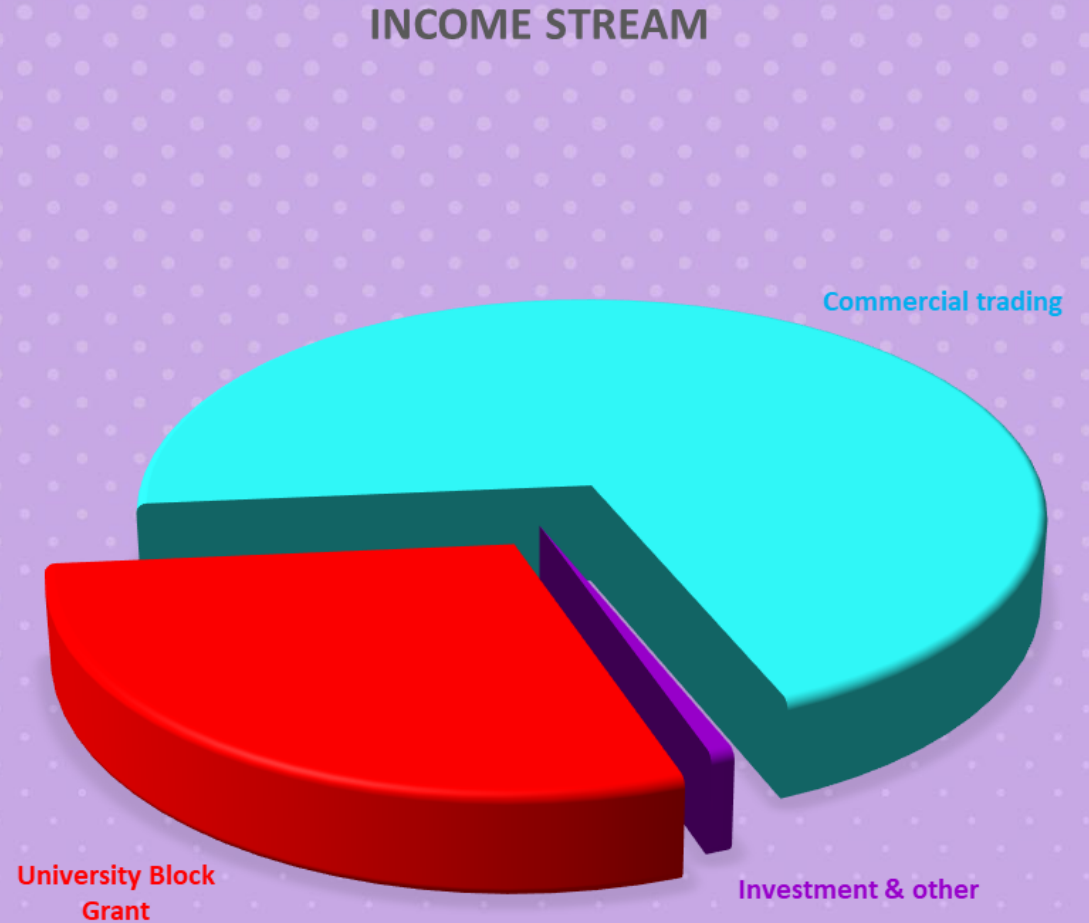
NTSU Impact Report



NTSU Finances Update

Income:

- We received £1.9 million in our block grant for the year ended 31 July 2025.
- Our trading activities generated £4.5 million sales revenue.
- We received £50k from bank interest.
- Our total income for 2024/25 was £6.7 million, this isn't profit/surplus - we made a surplus of £35K.



The proportion of our income that comes from trading, our grant and other sources

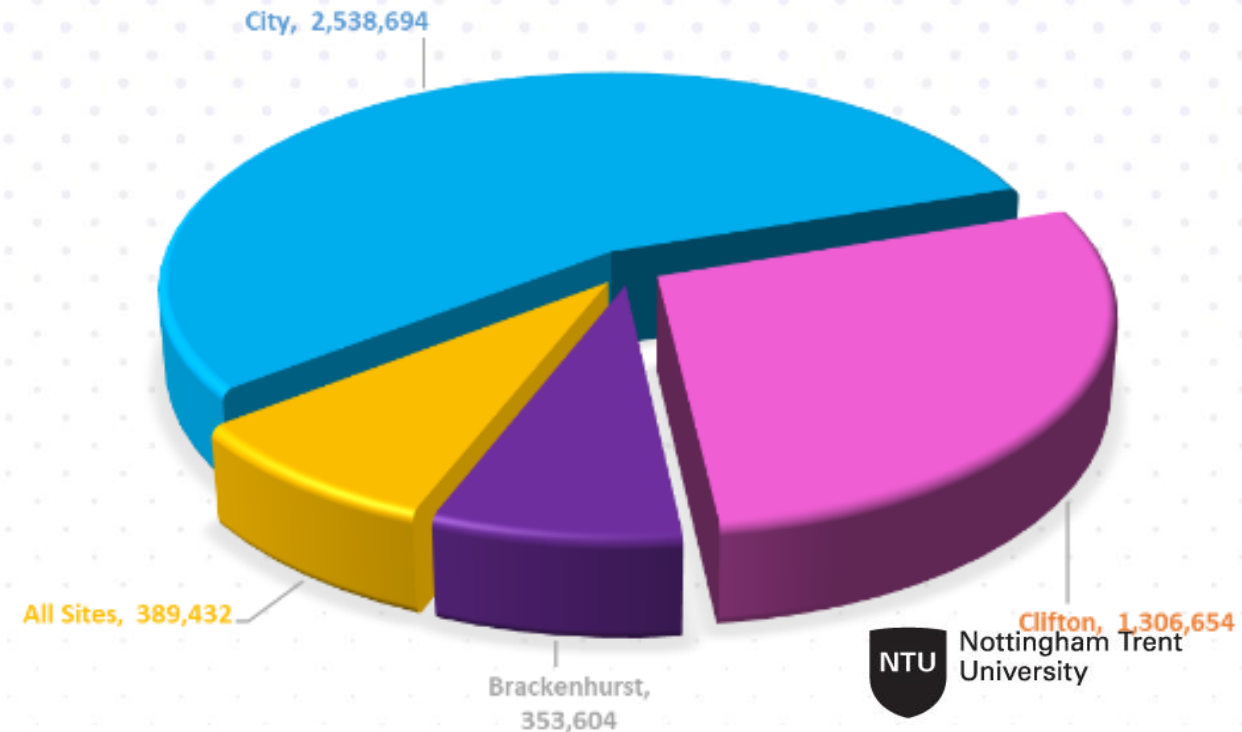
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NTSU Finances Update

Income:

- This represents the total commercial revenue generated at each campus (we do not trade at Confetti or Mansfield).
- All this money is re-invested into services and activities for students.

TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE BY CAMPUS

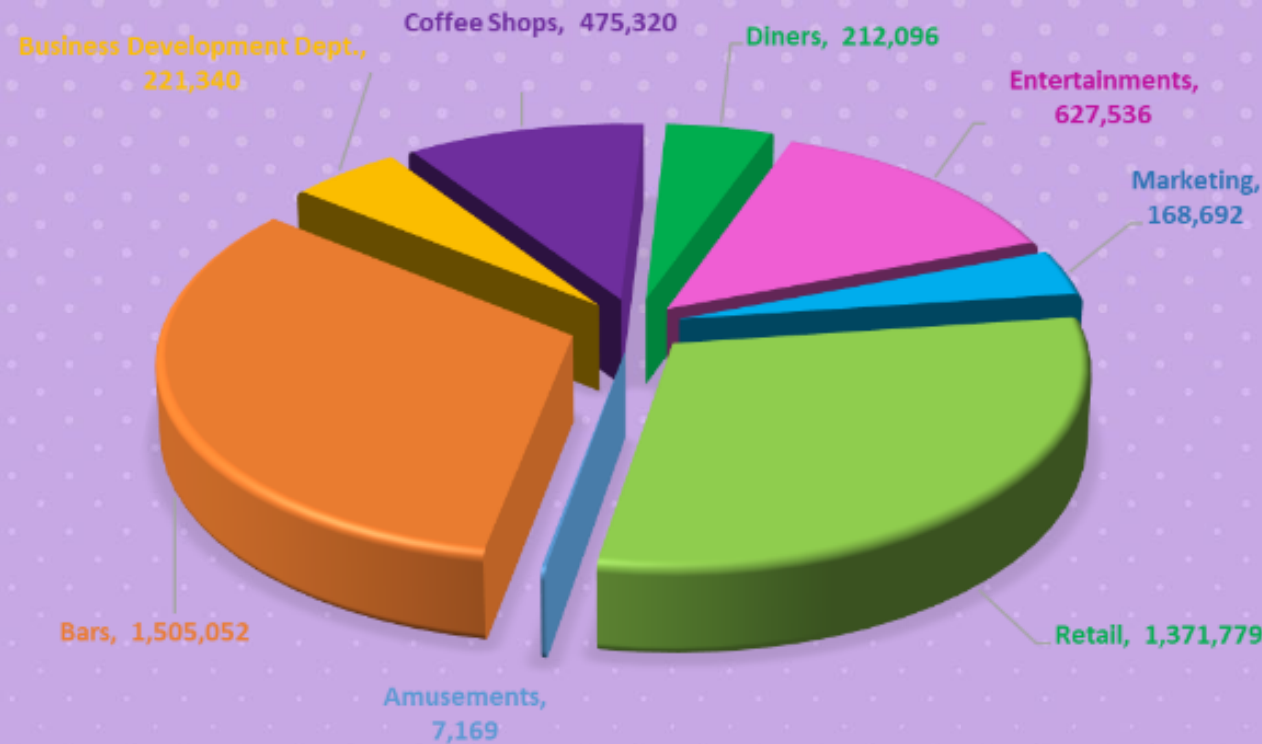


NTSU Finances Update

Income:

- This represents the different types of revenue generated across the Commercial department.
- Total revenue generated by Retail Shops totalled £1.3 million.
- Total revenue generated by Bars totalled £1.5 million.
- Revenue is income not profit.

TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE BY TYPE



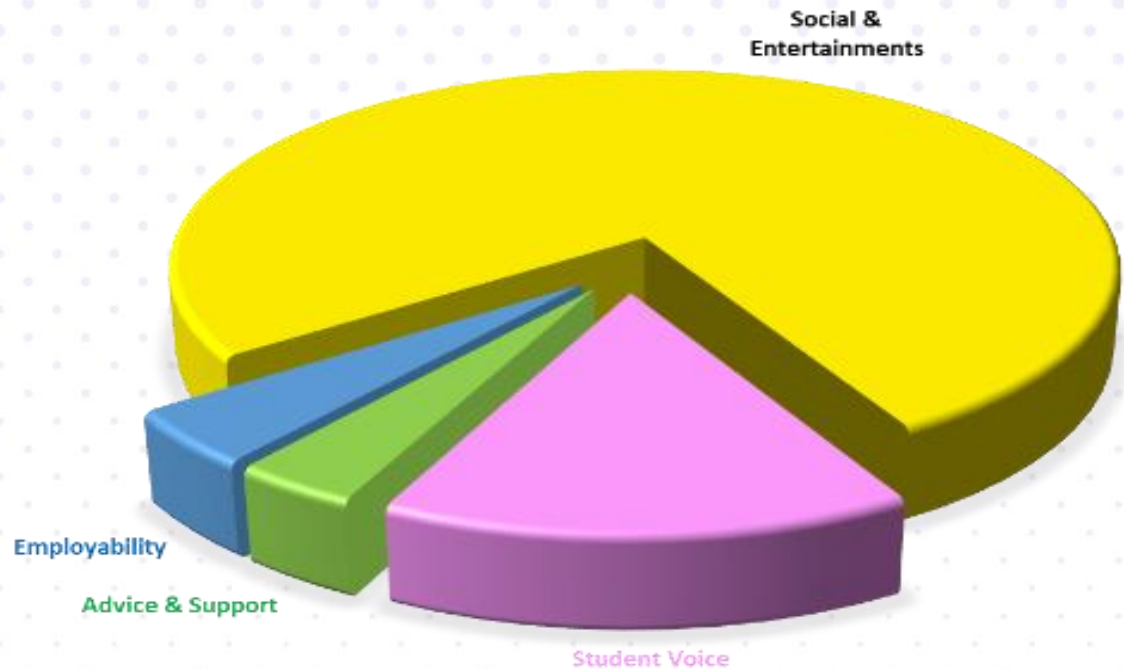
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NTSU Finances Update

Spending:

- The block grant pays for our core union membership functions – Advice & Support, Societies, Student Voice, Marketing & Communications etc.
- Our total expenditure in 2024/25 was £6.7 million

EXPENDITURE BY CHARITABLE ACTIVITY



NTSU Finances Update

Spending:

- Capital expenditure in the year totalled £69k
- This includes £16k on Symetrix Audio Digital Processor units
- £35k on shutters to secure our bar serveries to enable these areas to be used out of trading hours
- £15k on a 9-seater vehicle to add to our fleet
- £3k on a new pizza oven

TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY CAMPUS



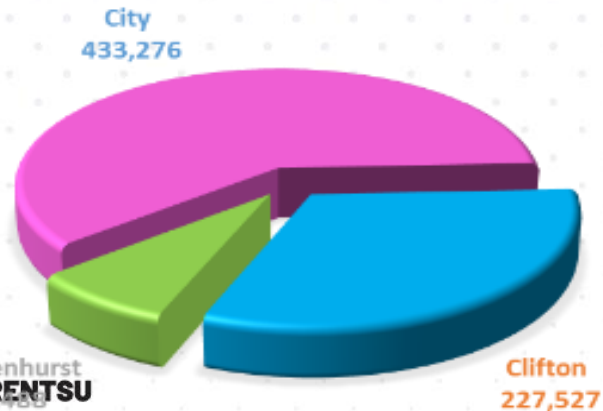
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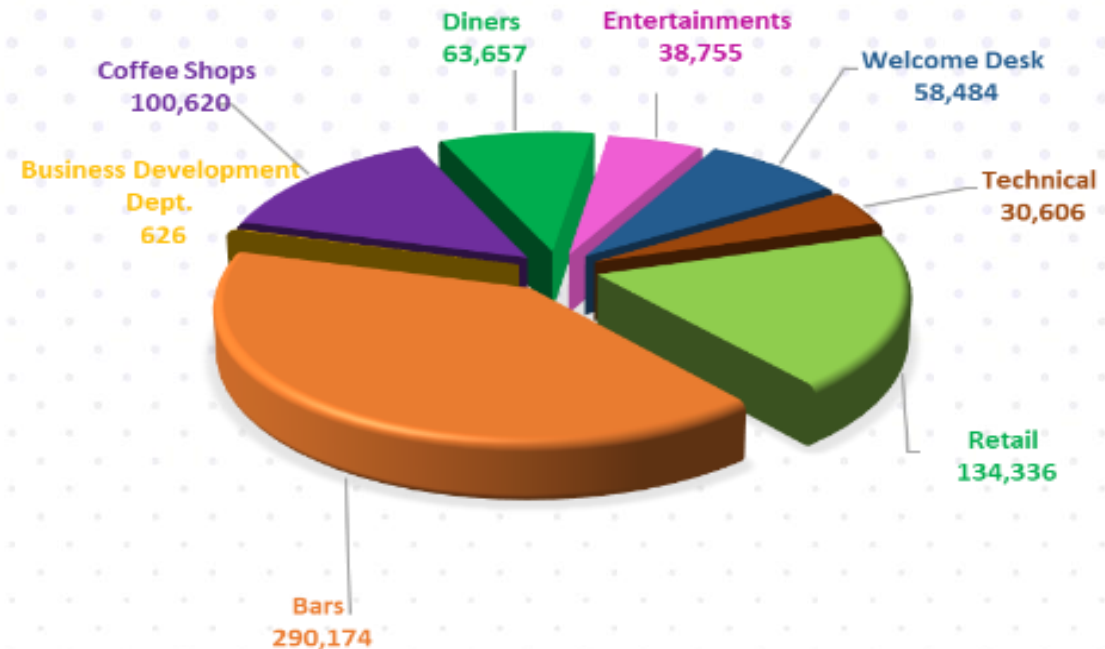
Spending:

- We spent £720k on paying our student staff the national living wage

STUDENT STAFF PAY COSTS BY CAMPUS



STUDENT STAFF PAY COSTS BY DEPARTMENT



NTSU Finances Update

Society accounts are held in our balance sheet as restricted funds (i.e. Not our money):

- Income from self-generated activities and membership totalled £274k
- NTSU distributed £30k in funding allocations
- Expenditure totalled £293k

RESTRICTED FUND MOVEMENTS IN THE YEAR ENDING 31 JULY 2025 - SOCIETY ACCOUNTS



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NTSU Finances Update

Cashflow:

- Our “free reserves” reflects the money that we currently have available to spend/ pay for things.
- This year we have £1.3 million in reserves, which is between our minimum and target levels, which we are required by the Charity Commission to hold.
- The “cashflow” refers to the amount this has increased or decreased by. The year ended 31 July 2025 reported a net cash inflow of £269k.

Cash flow forecast	31/07/2025	31/07/2024	31/07/2023
	£	£	£
Surplus / (Deficit)	35,743	62,453	(26,970)
Depreciation	281,153	274,177	266,936
Profit on disposal			(13,500)
Inflow from Operational Activities	316,896	336,630	226,466
Movement in liabilities	26,903	(172,266)	45,244
Movement in debtors	14,035	204,403	(212,396)
Movement in stock	(26,807)	(6,252)	(9,624)
Purchase of fixed assets	(69,839)	(293,499)	(38,400)
Restricted funds movement	8,459	18,656	(1,503)
Cash Movement	269,647	87,672	9,787

Cash Summary	31/07/2025	31/07/2024	31/07/2023
	£	£	£
Opening Cash	1,748,074	1,660,402	1,650,615
Closing Cash	2,017,721	1,748,074	1,660,402
Cash Movement	269,647	87,672	9,787

Net cash inflow / (Outflow) YTD	269,647	87,672	9,787
Free Reserves	1,395,286	1,148,229	1,305,098

Balance Sheet:

- The balance sheet shows the value of everything NTSU owns, including vehicles, buildings, stock, and equipment.
- Anything we own loses value over the course of its life in a process called 'depreciation', calculated based on how long it is expected to be in use.
- We have designated £200k for future capital investment.
- We achieved a surplus of **£35k** for the year ended 31 July 2025

	Y/E 25	Y/E 24	Y/E 23
	31/07/2025	31/07/2024	31/07/2023
Balance Sheet as at:			
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	690,123	901,437	882,115
Current assets			
Stock	141,488	114,681	108,429
Debtors	63,080	77,115	281,518
Bank (see cashflow below)	2,017,721	1,748,074	1,660,402
	2,222,289	1,939,870	2,050,349
Current liabilities	(295,008)	(268,105)	(440,371)
Net current assets	1,927,281	1,671,765	1,609,978
Total assets	2,617,404	2,573,202	2,492,093
Represented by	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds B/fwd - Free Reserves	2,049,666	1,987,213	2,214,183
Unrestricted Funds B/fwd - Designated Funds	200,000	200,000	0
	2,249,666	2,187,213	2,214,183
Surplus / (Deficit) year to date	35,743	62,453	(26,970)
Restricted funds	331,995	323,536	304,880
Total funds	2,617,404	2,573,202	2,492,093

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NTSU Affiliations

National Union of Students (United Kingdom)

- Built into our budget is an affiliation to the National Union of Students (United Kingdom). NTSU is currently paying £37,500.00 annually.
- NUS UK leads national campaigning and representative work, which supports the work of our officers here at NTSU.
- Please note that, since 2020, NUS officially split into two organisations: NUS UK and NUS Charity, making our access to NUS Charity's services and resources available regardless of NTSU's affiliation with NUS UK.

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- Please also note that, NTSU's access to NUS Services LTD (NUSSL), a purchasing group, would not be affected regardless of the affiliation between NTSU and NUS UK. However, such access and trading through NUSSL does allow NTSU to get a better deal than regular trading groups, thus providing more value for money.

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NTSU Officer Review

Part 1: Reshaping officer team to four core roles

NTSU are proposing to move to a 4-person Sabbatical Officer Structure

This new structure will be as follows:

- **President**
- **Vice President Education**
- **Vice President Societies and Sports**
- **Vice President Community and Welfare**

These roles have been selected based on student consultation and the priorities laid out in Officer Manifestos over recent elections.

This change will open funding for new paid, appointed student opportunities at NTSU (Part 2 & Part 3)

NTSU Officer Review

Part 2: Introduce paid UG and PG school officers for each school

Over the last three years we have recruited our School Officers through an application and interview process. We are proposing these volunteer positions become part time paid opportunities with one UG Officer and one PG Officer for the following schools:

- Architecture, Design and the Built Environment (ADBE)
- Nottingham Business School (NBS)
- Nottingham Law School (NLS)
- Nottingham School of Art & Design (A&D)
- Science & Technology (SST)
- School of Social Sciences (S3)
- Animal, Rural and Environmental Sciences (ARES)*

***We will also be changing the ARES PG and UG School Officers to Brackenhurst School Officers**

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NTSU Officer Review

Part 3: Introduce part time paid officers on our satellite campuses

The two Brackenhurst School Officers will replace the singular Brackenhurst Officer Role.

These two positions will focus on academic representation and the wider Brackenhurst Campus experience, from an undergraduate and postgraduate perspective.

We intend to provide paid opportunities for our other satellite campus roles:

- Mansfield Officer
- NTU London Officer

These roles will also be filled through an interview process led by the Officer Team, with a student panel from each respective campus.

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- Science & Technology (SST)
- School of Social Sciences (S3)
- Brackenhurst

Broaden the Job Description of the Brackenhurst School Officers to cover the wider campus experience, replacing the Brackenhurst Officer

Part 3: Introduce part time paid officers on our satellite campuses

- Mansfield
- NTU London

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make a change

Submit an idea with your Students' Union



submit your idea at
trentstudents.org/makeachange

Submit your idea
Receive 50 likes
NTSU will be in touch

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What is the Biggest Concern for you this year?

Union Meeting Term 1

