

**Have your say**

**Union Meeting  
with your  
Executive Officers**

**Libby Sinclair**  
*President*

*The Level, City SU | 19/03/2026 | 17:30 - 19:30*



## Union Meeting with your Executive Officers

# House Keeping

- Toilets
- Emergency Exits
- Appointment of Vice-Chair
- Login to your NTU account in advance of a vote

# Attendees

## Chair Person

- Libby Sinclair

## Executive Officers

- Mischa Dooley
- Ryan Turner
- Ben Parker
- Joe Cormack
- Jasmyrn 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

- Ryan Turner

# 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.

# Union Meeting with your Executive Officers

## Agenda

- Apologies
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- Staff Protocols
- Reports
- Finances
- Affiliation
- NTSU Impact Report
- Any Other Business (AOB)

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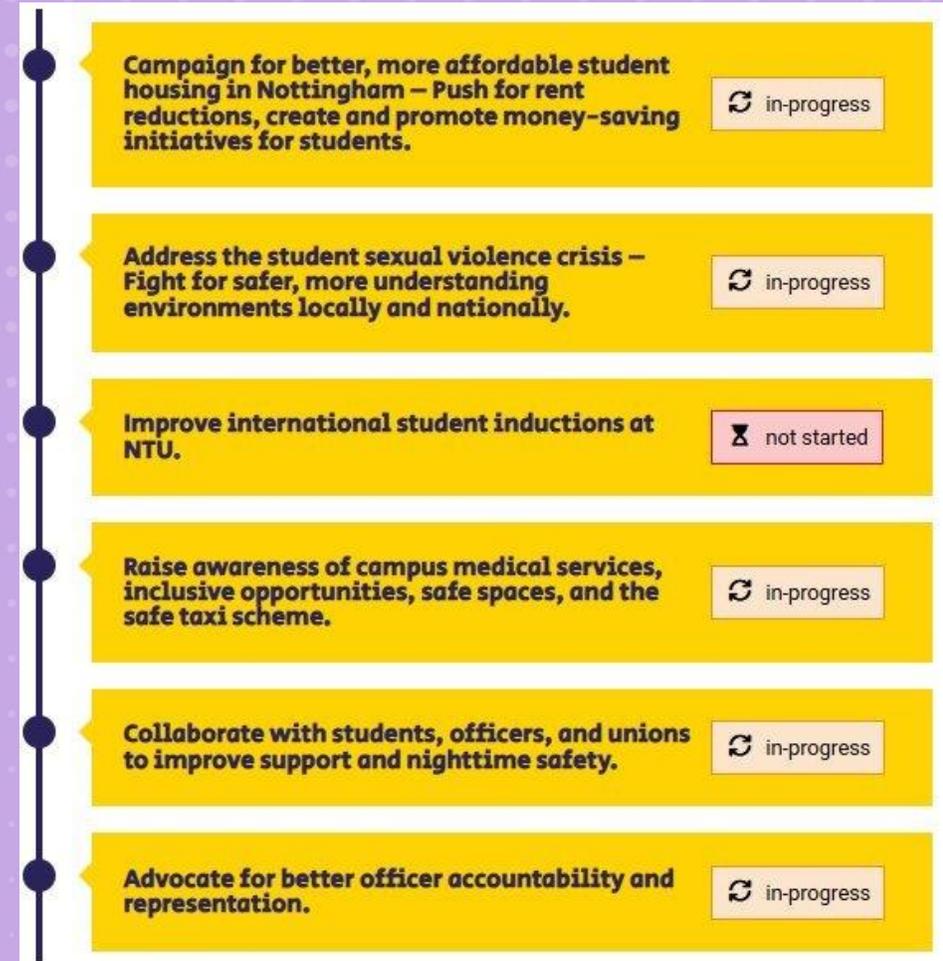
# Report – Executive Team

- Research: Visted 5 different student unions across the northwest to gain a large amount of info on democratic structures, campaigns, facilities, and academic representation- which will feed into a knowledge report and future work we are currently planning
- Representatives: Maintained SU presence in all winter graduation ceremonies.
- Strategy: Working closely with NTU in their strategy development, ensuring student voice is heard at all levels of the staff consultation whilst also leading internal student consultation in our student assemblies and online.
- Democracy: Implementing the new democratic structures- working on new big ideas based on the new 'make a change' framework.
- NTU Relationship: Began monthly whole team meetings with the Vice Chancellor raising student problems at the highest level.



# Report – Libby Sinclair

- Strategy: Lead representative for the NTU Strategy sitting on the strategic plan steering group ensuring student voice and needs are heard at every level of consultation.
- Brackenhurst: Working with school team on the periodic review of ARES ensuring the school is operating with student experience at the forefront. Lead officer on the make a change idea for the wildflower project idea on Brack.
- Research Visit: Led and organised our exec trip to 5 different SU's to learn more best practise in the sector alongside our VP PG.
- Democracy: Worked with Comms and Student voice to promo and be visible during elections hosting Q&A's when needed. Revamped the setup of Union meeting which we are trialing today.
- NTU Relationships: Set up a Buddy scheme with officers and University executive team to strengthen relationships between SU and NTU outside of the main officer remits. Worked alongside staff at NTU to hire the new director of estates and campus services.



# Report – Joe Cormack

- Introduced a campaign called "Let's Talk About Sex", hosted during Sexual Violence Awareness Week. This week brought sexual health, sexual violence, and wellbeing together to encourage those conversations to happen.
- Lead on sending a letter to MPs whose constituencies cover many NTU students and graduates, illustrating our concerns over the plan 2 loan threshold freeze.
- Collaborated with VP Sport to create a video, for Eating Disorder Awareness Week. Addressing the diverse types of eating disorders, as well as showing how to support a friend who has one.
- Introduced welfare staff, as student staff members at our venue. Working with the medics, to support student welfare at our events.
- Brought reusable, sustainable period cups into the hardship funding scheme to support students who are struggling with period poverty.

**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

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# Report – Mischa Dooley

- Focus groups for Access statements and Extensions – working with 1st year students to see where they would prefer to have access to accessibility help on the NOW page – 2 manifesto points are now completed but will continue to work on for the rest of the year.
- January Course Rep inductions – over 120 reps inducted throughout February.
- Joined RECSAT – Race and Equality Charter – Involved in the midpoint review with some of our school officers and staff.
- Launch of Active Collaborative Learning Access Participation Plan training for staff – encouraging more team-based learning, Q&A with staff to discuss student perspective with other student panelists.
- School Officer development – ready for recruitment in Term 3. These will be moving to paid roles!!

**Make NECs more accessible and confidential for students.**

✓ complete

**Streamline the Access Statement process for easier support.**

✓ complete

**Improve awareness of student employment opportunities.**

🔄 in-progress

**Provide CV and interview prep workshops for graduating students.**

🔄 in-progress

# Report – Ryan Turner

- Began to speak with local MPs to begin informing students on their rights under the RRA
- Set up the first L.E.D.I group under the new democratic procedures for international students.
- Inducted an additional 100 course reps into the academic representation system.
- Began to take lead on PGR reps, developing induction training.
- Present in global week activities and moderated the global week panel Q&A.



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# Report – Ben Parker

- Promoted the Society Elections which saw a 28% increase in nominations from last year
- Supported societies in displaying their culture in Global Week
- Set up a marketing work shop free for all society committee members
- Continued research into best practice for schools to support academic societies
- Began a Society Showcase series

**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 – Jasmyn Smith

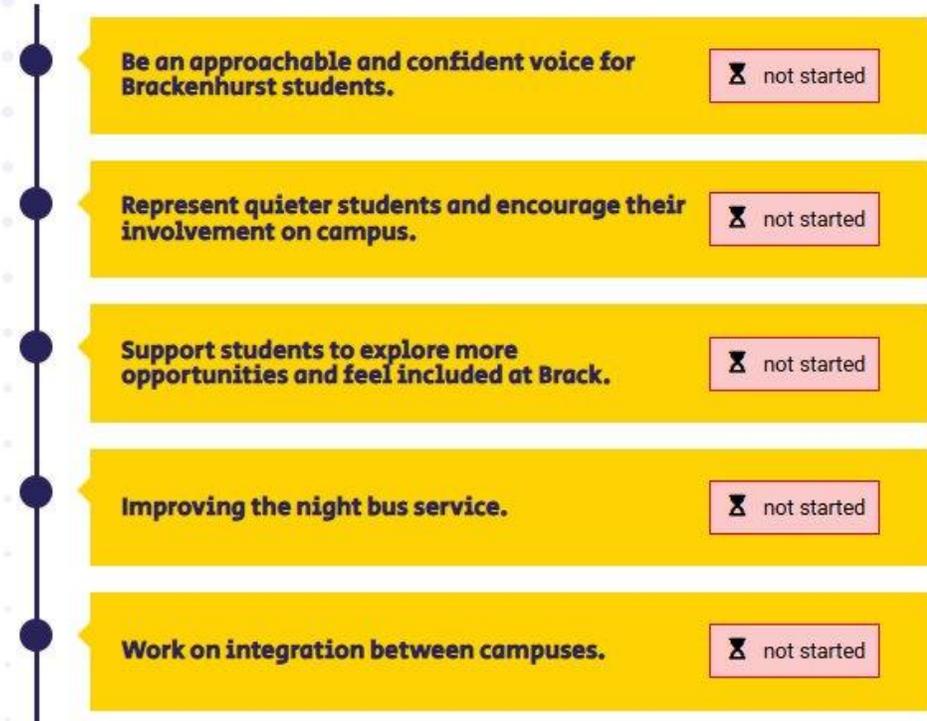
- Organised and delivered a successful Ice hockey varsity 2026 at Motorpoint Arena where the NTU ticket allocation sold out within 48 minutes. Varsity week 1 has continued this week!
- Collaborated with VP Community & Welfare to deliver an important and educational message to break stigma during Eating Disorder Awareness Week.
- Worked with Queen's University Belfast to bring NTU Sport students together to partake in a focus group to discuss the future of BUCS mental health guidelines
- Planned and worked with current sport club committee members to film an engaging series to promote the sport committee elections
- Myself and the other BUCS officers delivered the 2nd BUCS Student Network Group to other sabbaticals across the nation to talk about culture, engagement and handover with future officers, policy, and more



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# Report – Paige Skelland

- No Report Submitted



# Report – Della Pinnock

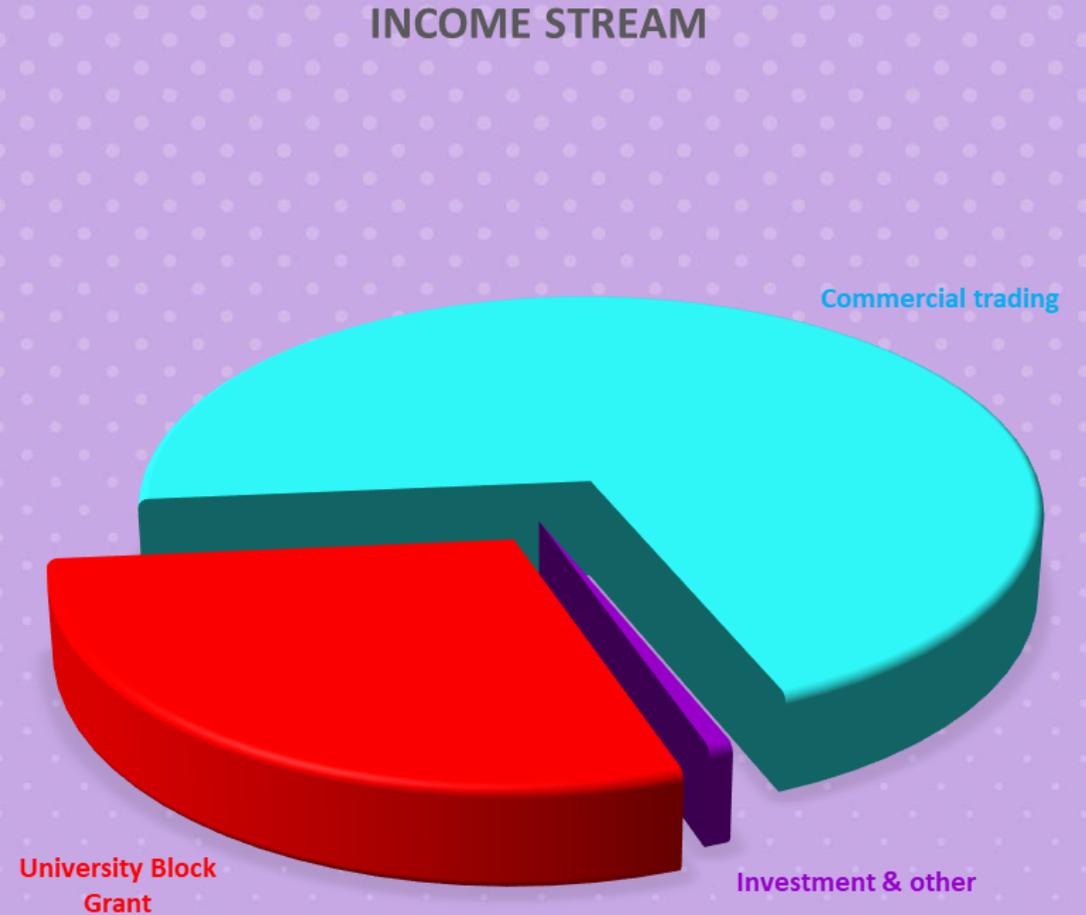
- I have worked alongside the opportunities team to host stalls at safety fairs
- I have run a hot chocolate bar during some of the global week events at Mansfield
- I have represented Mansfield students at Mansfield forum and the Executive student forum
- I have organised a coffee and board games event at Mansfield which take place alongside Afternoon at Mansfield on the 12th March 2026



# 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

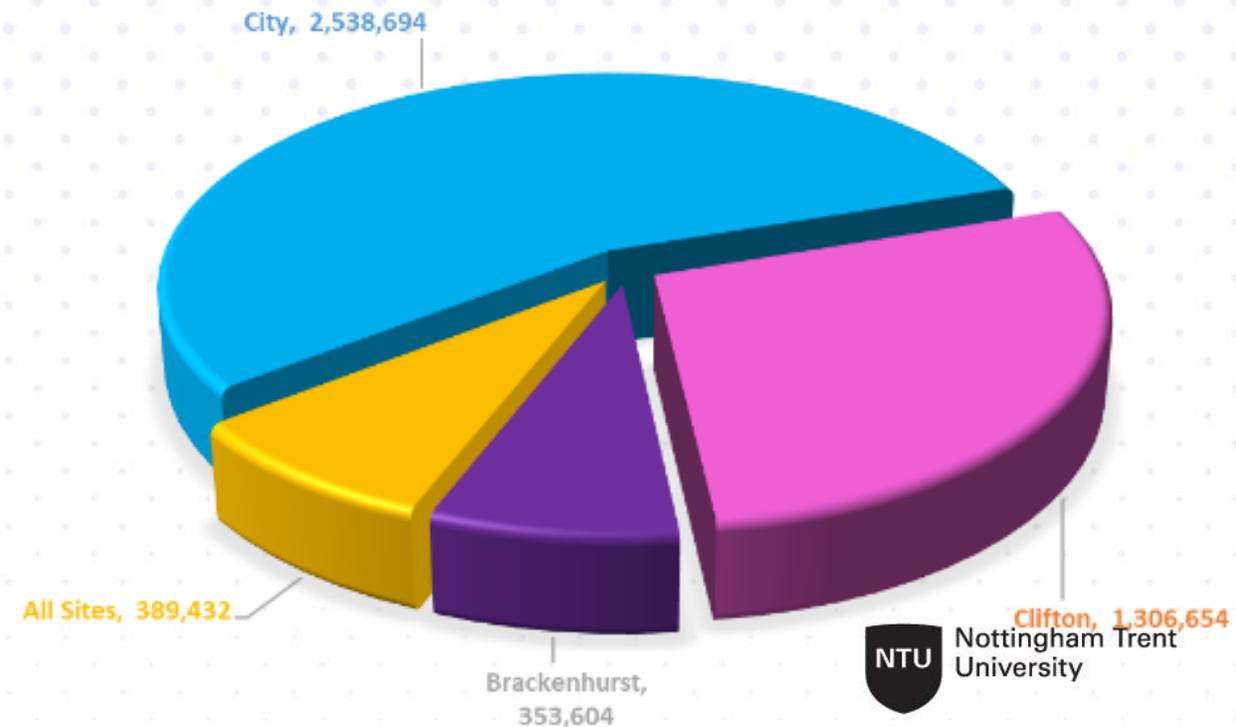
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# NTSU Finances Update

### 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

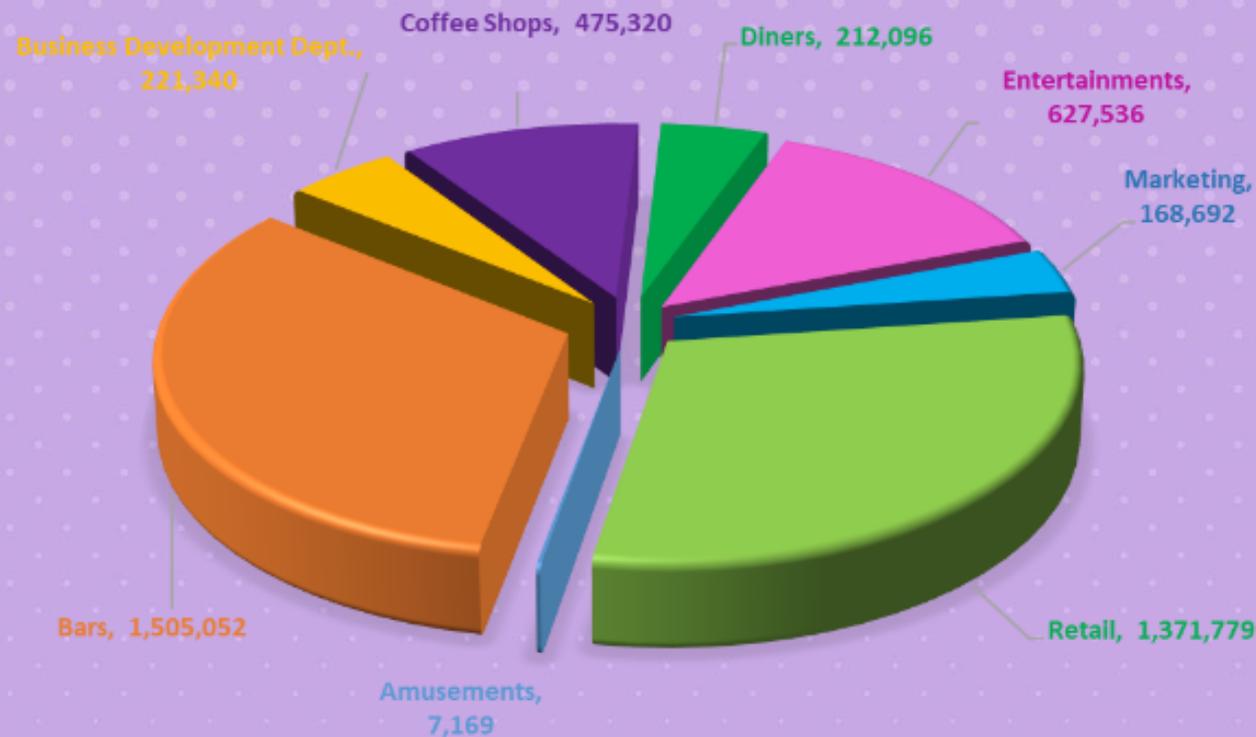


# NTSU Finances Update

## 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



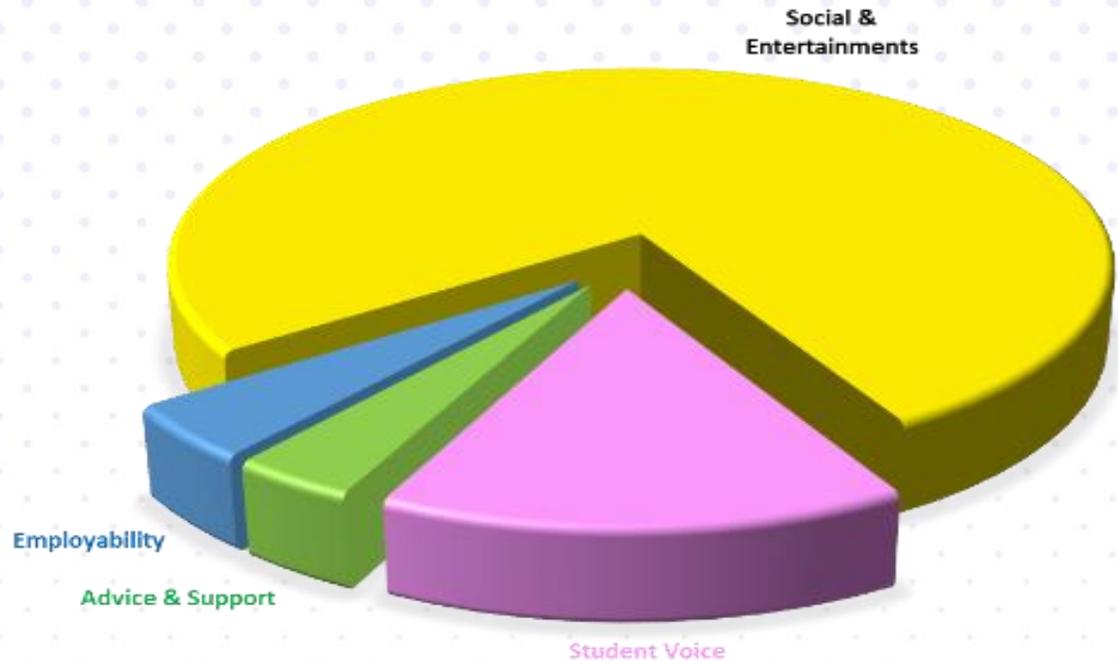
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## NTSU Finances Update

### 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

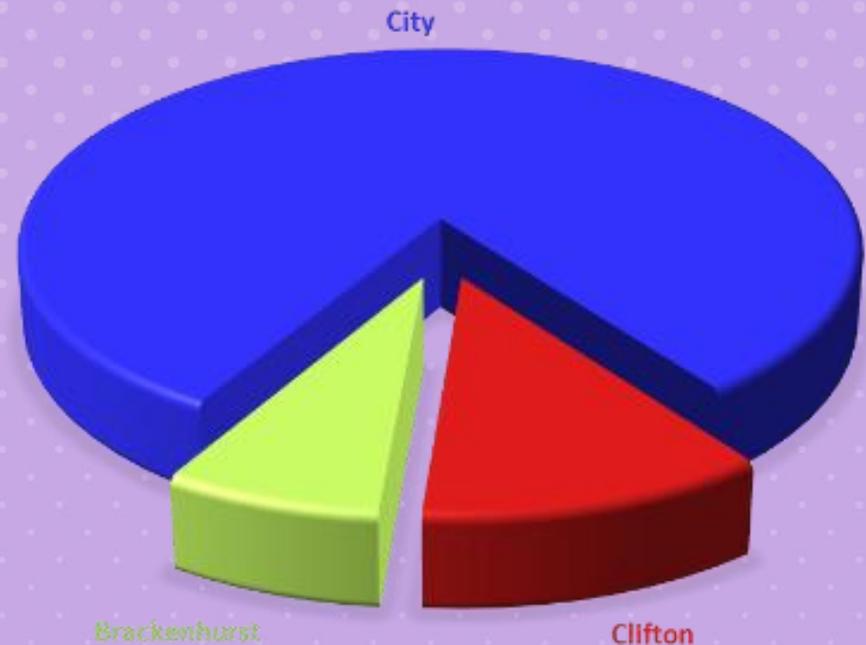


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## Spending:

- 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



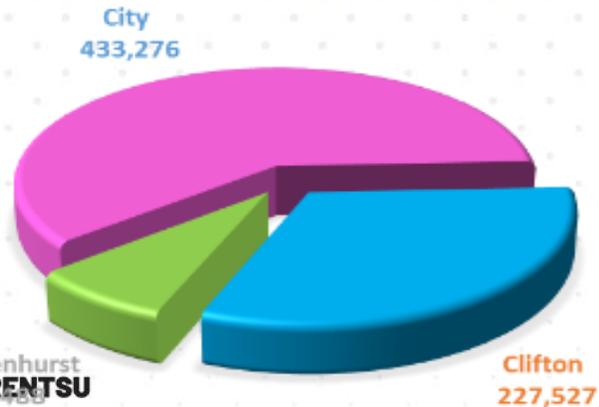
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## NTSU Finances Update

### Spending:

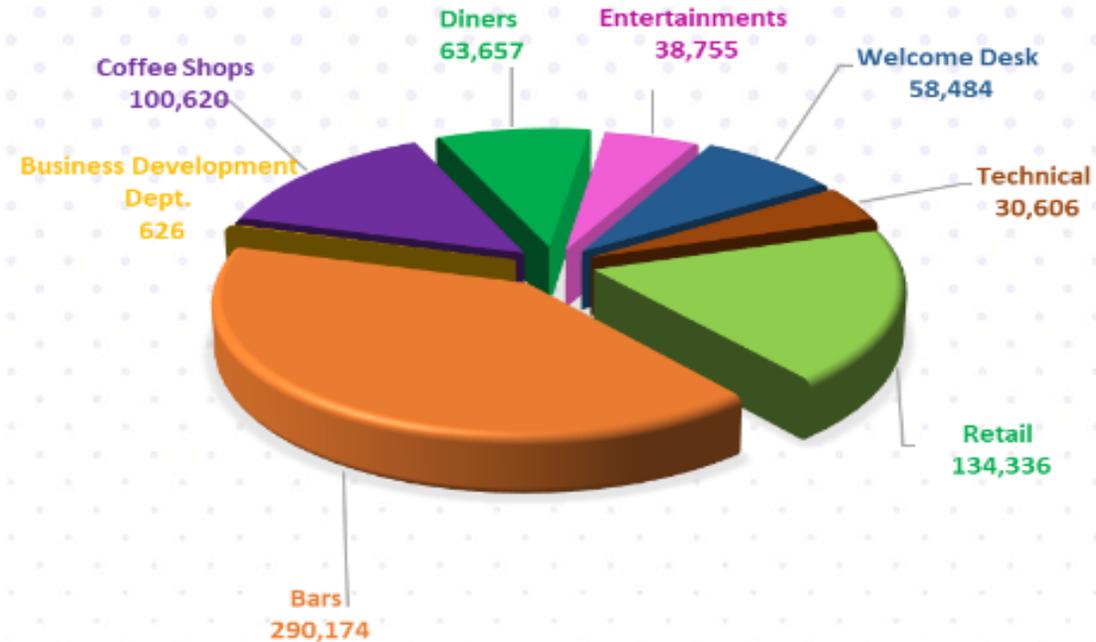
- We spent £720k on paying our student staff the national living wage

STUDENT STAFF PAY COSTS BY CAMPUS



Brackenhurst  
TRENTSU  
TRENTSTUDENTS

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.

<u>Cash flow forecast</u>	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)
<b>Inflow from Operational Activities</b>	<b>316,896</b>	<b>336,630</b>	<b>226,466</b>
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)
<b>Cash Movement</b>	<b>269,647</b>	<b>87,672</b>	<b>9,787</b>

<u>Cash Summary</u>	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
<b>Cash Movement</b>	<b>269,647</b>	<b>87,672</b>	<b>9,787</b>

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
Balance Sheet as at:	31/07/2025	31/07/2024	31/07/2023
	£	£	£
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 Finances

- NTSU is a not for profit organisation
- The £42k surplus generated by our commercial operations during the year is added to our overall unrestricted reserves, this is re-invested into the services and activities we provide to students
- The total assets on our balance sheet consist of
  - £690k Fixed assets eg fixtures, fittings and equipment in our buildings & our vehicle fleet
  - £332k Restricted funds held on behalf our societies
  - £200k designated funds for future fixed asset investment
  - £1.3m 'free reserves' (as required by the Charity Commission to ensure to we can meet day to day operations of the union for a minimum of 3 months)

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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.

# NTSU Affiliations

## **National Union of Students (United Kingdom)**

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

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# **NTSU Impact Report**

