

Nottingham Students'

Manifesto

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Foreword

This is the Nottingham Students' Manifesto. It represents what the students of Nottingham Trent University and the University of Nottingham consider to be their main priorities as students in the City of Nottingham.

Collectively, NTSU and UoNSU represent over 60,000 students in Nottinghamshire. Our goal is to make sure the issues they face while they are members of the local community are priorities for local candidates for the forthcoming election. The two Students' Unions are amongst the largest in the UK and we have come together to ensure that student demands are heard and acted upon. It is a pivotal time in the history of the UK and we want to make sure that students feel empowered to vote and supported by their local MPs.

We have collaborated with a sense of urgency to get students involved in what we believe is a critical moment for a generation. The priorities presented in this manifesto are based on the feedback from students of both Universities.

Together we have created this joint manifesto to develop Nottinghamshire, to improve the city of Nottingham and to make sure students are a priority.

In the following pages, we outline seven key areas where we would like election candidates to commit to supporting our students:

- Education
- Environment
- Healthcare
- Housing
- Crime and safety
- Transport
- Arts and culture



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Education

Reduce tuition fees to ensure they do not saddle students with debt.

Reintroduce the maintenance grant and make adjustments to maintenance loans so that they cover the cost of living.

Improve levels of funding for state schools so everyone has the same level of opportunity and strong start in life.

Ensure all options for post-18 education are supported, valued and promoted for young people who do not want to go to university.





Environment

Improve recycling systems across Nottinghamshire and make recycling simpler by encouraging a more uniform national approach.

Respond urgently to the climate crisis by supporting carbon neutrality in the UK, by 2030 at the latest.

Promote greener transport across the region to reduce carbon emissions.

Healthcare

Ensure that the NHS remains a public service, and stop any attempt at privatisation.

Increase staffing levels in the NHS to reduce waiting times and improve the quality of healthcare.

Increase funding for the NHS to improve services and patient safety, whilst ensuring careers for students in the NHS.





Housing

Push for tighter regulations on landlords to ensure student housing is of a high standard.

Support the increase of affordable housing across the country so that graduates have the opportunity to own their own home.

Back measures to ensure that no person sleeps rough in Nottinghamshire.





Crime and safety

Fund the recruitment of more police officers, increasing numbers and improving the diversity of officers.

Lobby for more street lighting so that local communities feel safer after dark.

Improve crime prevention measures to tackle crime hotspots.





Transport

Make travel in Nottinghamshire more affordable and accessible for all.

Aim for clearer pricing structures across the transport systems in the region.

Encourage cycling as an alternative method of transport by introducing cycling infrastructure which protects riders.





Arts and culture

Empower more people to access culture by increasing the amount of free events.

Ensure that marginalised voices are heard in the arts and celebrate the diversity of our local communities.





Brexit

Our students' views on Brexit echoed those of the rest of the younger population, with some favouring a no deal exit, some wanting Britain to leave with a deal and others believing that we should remain in the European Union or pursue a second referendum. This means that we do not hold a conclusive position on Brexit, however we urge all parties to protect the rights of students and the staff in HE.





Contact sheet



NTSU President

Bradley Fox

I am your Students' Union President. I act as the line manager for the other executive officers as well as being the lead contact for the university and other 3rd parties. I am responsible for the governance of the union and chair a number of its committees.



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UoNSU Community Officer

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My role involves fighting for you on a range of issues – from housing and transport to safety in our community. I work with the Council, police and community groups to make sure your voice is heard.



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It takes 5 minutes

HOW DO YOU REGISTER?

Register to vote at
www.gov.uk/register-to-vote

All you'll need is your address and National Insurance Number which you can find on your payslip or by calling Student Finance England.

**The registration deadline is
11:59pm, Tuesday 26th
November.**

**Although you can only vote once,
you can be registered at both your
home and university address.**

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