

Queen's University Belfast Students' Union

Full-Time Student Officer Report

Role: Union President

Name: Beth Elder

Period Covered by Report: August 2023

Introduction

Haigh gach duine,

As President of the Students' Union, I co-ordinate the activity and campaigns of the Students' Union and act as chief spokesperson on behalf of the Union. I work to ensure the Union priorities are enacted and chair several Committees of the Students' Union, such as the Executive Management Committee and Standing Committee.

My areas of focus for the year are co-ordinating the Union Priorities (Housing, Cost of Living, Sustainability, Voter Registration/Student Manifesto, Mental Health, and Student Voice), as well as developing Student Community and Democracy, International Student Supports, and Political Lobbying.

Project Progress

August began with Lead and Change training with the National Union of Students, and consisted of further Plan of Work brainstorming, Freshers planning, and inducting the new Student Officers.

The entire Student Officer team also spent a further 3 days hosting the Union of Students in Ireland for the supplementary SUT training that occurred in July.

NUS-USI also held a campaign day, which all Student Officers attended.

Key Events / Meetings

Date	Details of Activity (and outcomes for students)
1 st – 3 rd August	Lead and Change Training with NUS
7 th August	Plan of Work planning session
8 th August	Interview with Belfast Live
9 th August	Student Officer Inductions – Introduction to Marketing
10 th August	Antisemitism Awareness Training
11 th August	Meeting with Vice President Students and Corporate Services
11 th August	Demonstration from Hazaar
14 th August	Sustainability Communications Meeting
14 th August	Induction Planning Session
14 th August	Lecture Capture Policy Catch-up

15 th – 17 th August	SUT+ training
17 th August	Drug Harm Reduction Proposal Discussion
21 st August	QUBeWell training
22 nd August	Meeting regarding Student Representation Project Outputs
23 rd August	Meeting with QUB Sustainability team
23 rd August	Students in the Community and Civic Engagement Workshop
24 th August	NUS-USI Campaign Day
29 th August	Meeting with Careers Department regarding Fossil Free Careers
30 th August	Student Officer Photoshoot Day
31 st August	Meeting with Associate Pro-Vice Chancellor for Strategic Projects