





KINGS COLLEGE

A LOT TO CAPTURE AND MOBILISE

- 40,000 students
- 50% international
- 4 different campuses
- Subjects ranging from medicine and nursing to law to history
- Understanding insights essential to ensure effective capturing of student voice





WHAT WE DID

- TEF submissions, NSS/PTES/PRES results, past and current campaigns including a listening campaign, officer manifestos and records from our representation practices such as forums and consultations.
- Looking for a long-term vision for enhanced student experience through an organising platform to enable officers, representatives, students and the university to achieve it.
- Several priorities emerged, mapped with officers and their priorities and across
 - o OfS conditions of registration,
 - National Union of Students
 - Russell Group Students Union







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WHAT STUDENTS TOLD US...



More affordable accommodation built

Improved accommodation access for Disabled and postgrad students

Postgrads less likely to feel part of student community



Ethical engagement and social impact valued as part of uni experience

Stop the fossil fuel industry recruiting students on campus

Need for spaces to discuss complex educational issues



Disabled students face significant issues accessing university spaces

Inconsistency in and lack of formal and informal learning spaces hinders students' sense of belonging

THE VISIONS THAT EMERGED



Security of affordable and accessible accommodation from first year and beyond

A network of support systems, taking diverse student needs into account.

Feeling of belonging that enhance academic performance



To study at a university that considers its position in the world, engages with its legacies, and considers its impact.

To feel part of a collective voice that can advocate for the support the student community needs.



Spaces that are sustainable and fit for purpose

Spaces developed with feedback, collaboration with accessibility at the forefront

WHERE IS CHANGE HAPPENING?



Officer-led campaign on affordable accommodation

Disabled Students Network and student-led campaign 'Adjust KCL'

300 Student societies offering students extracurricular activities and sense of belonging

9 Academic Associations



Officer presence on University working groups

Lobbying ethical alternatives in union venues

Active student campaigns calling for ethical partnerships



Officer lobbying for women's gym access

Officer representation on campus transformation project

Disabled Students Network and student-led campaign 'Adjust KCL'

Sports and Activity groups

OUR APPROACH TO MAKING POSITIVE CHANGE

- Do not need six campaigns, nor everyone to be a campainger
- Students to recognise that their interests and issues are shared and best addressed when organising with others.
- Assist in building priorities and action plan for officers, networks and associations
- A tool for the student voice team itself. Strategic objectives now include our progress in these six areas.
 - we are a successful union if we make positive change within these areas of a student's educational experience – wherever that change may happen.



- Still do campaigns like our Halls for All officer endorsed campaign with a support staff-team.
- Take the insights from our Student Life & Support priority and tackle in-house purposebuilt student accommodation and accommodation support schemes.
- But, this work now exists under an organising platform with a clear narrative (and vision) where each issue is connected and emerges out of a shared declaration of the future students want.





That is where we have gotten to, and we remain excited and proactive in building this vision.

In July we will welcome new officers whom we will invite to take on the Union Agenda as their project, map out their priorities, their allies, the ones with shared experience - and from here join our representatives, campaigners, leads and presidents in taking the agenda to the university and, hopefully, new heights.





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