

UNION STRATEGY 2017-20

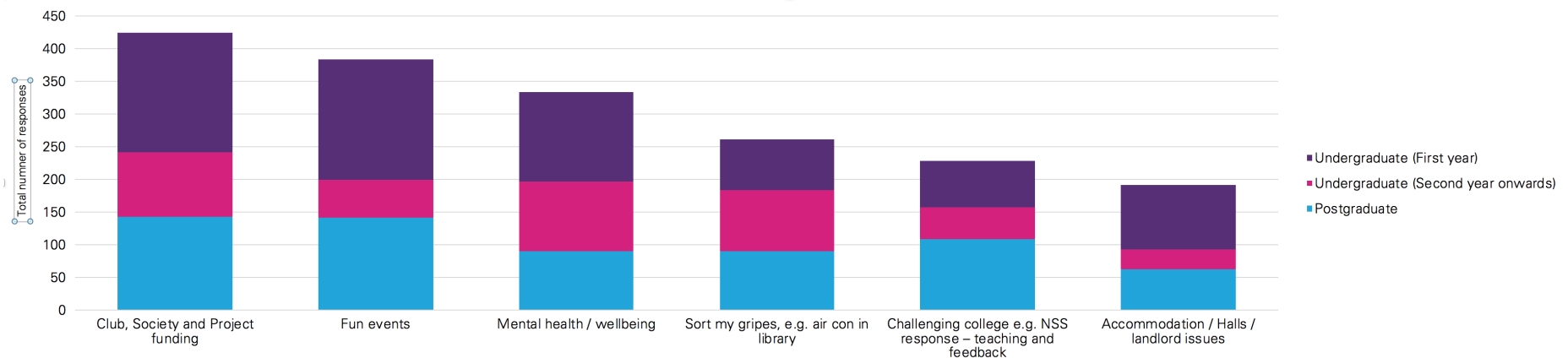
Consultation stage two

October 2016

We ran some consultation at Freshers' Fair this year to see if we were on the right track of where our strategy should go. We asked students - broken down into first years, second to fourth year Undergraduates and Postgraduates - what matters to you the most out of the following:

- Fun events
- Accommodation / halls / landlord issues
- Club, Society & Project funding
- Mental health / wellbeing
- "Sort out my gripes", e.g. air con in the library
- Challenging College, e.g. teaching and feedback, NSS response

We had 608 students tell us what they thought - 41% were first year Undergraduates, 24% were second to fourth year Undergraduates and the remaining 35% were Postgraduates. Below are the results of what mattered most to them. These results have helped us shape what we see as future objectives - things that we will put into our strategy to work on and achieve over the next three years.



These results highlighted some similarities and differences in how the three groups of students felt about particular themes, and what is a priority to them.

Out of the students that took part in this consultation, fun events and Clubs, Societies & Projects were most important to first year Undergraduates; in comparison, mental health/wellbeing was more of a priority for Undergraduates in their second year onwards. Postgraduate students that gave us their views said that Clubs, Societies & Projects mattered most to them as well, alongside fun events. There was also a larger call from them to challenge College than Undergraduates; Undergraduates still responded that this was of some importance to them. In regards to accommodation and sorting out gripes, the results varied for each student group; accommodation was more of a priority for Undergraduates first years, whilst all groups would like some help with sorting out issues that affect their student experience.

These are all things that we will take into account as we finish writing our strategy to launch in January 2017 to ensure that our priorities are matched to those of our members.

If you want to get involved in our last stage of consultation, either online or in person, then visit our website for more details.