Feedback from

Thinking about the future of the University, tell us about one small change you would like to see.

Make our sponsorship of academies more meaningful to all we do as a School of Education.

The consultation document explains that in these turbulent times we need to consider new and radical ideas. If you have a radical idea you would like to suggest, please tell us here.

Create meaningful partnerships with 5 other Higher Education Institutions globally that will genuinely change the way we all think and work.

# Mission, Purpose & Growth

Feedback from

**In a sentence, how would you describe the purpose of the University of Nottingham?**

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**Overall Mission & Purpose:**
- Advancing knowledge (encompasses research and teaching) – Education
- Be braver about the complexity of learning and that as a student here you will be challenged.  We will help you navigate the complexity but we won't simplify it.
- Creating new knowledge.
- Developing 'knowledge workers'.
- Protective space for researchers and teaching that isn't always about responding to the latest issues. - Freedom, independence.
- Need to strategically set own vision and if done well REF,TEF will take care of itself - Enables us to be distinctive in current era.
- Rebutting the discourse of being the best at everything – more about quality than relative status

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**What sort of growth, if any, should we aim for?**

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Growth:
- Quality not quantity.
- More work with the community.
- Work with FE.
- Reach out to 'difficult' communities – e.g. Mansfield
- Target growth on diversity – avoid elitism.
- Planned and strategic growth.
- Helping students from different backgrounds to not feel alienated.
- Relationship with the city and the local community.
- Grow as a better university not a bigger university.
- Currently too much emphasis is on global and emphasis on local is not as apparent/explicit as it could be.
- Look after part-time students more and the local community.
- Reclaim a stronger presence in the local community

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**Could you give one example of something about the University of Nottingham you want to make sure we retain in the years to come.**

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Global identify (but virtual campus is important).

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**Other**

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Should the University be supporting academies?
Should we have an on campus school?
Get rid of 'putting students at the heart of everything we do' – we don't always and when we do it's implicit.