

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

CAPITAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2002

- Present: Dr. I. Nussey (Chair), The Vice-Chancellor, Professor S. Bassnett, Professor R. Dyson, Professor J. Jones, Mr. G. Moreton, Mr. C. Price, Professor M. Terry
- In Attendance: Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Estates Officer, Finance Officer, Building Surveyor, Services Engineer, Maintenance Officer, Development Plan Architect, Mr. R. Chudleigh (RH Partnership Architects, for agenda item 10(a)), Mr. R. Gisby (Corstorphine and Wright Architects, for agenda item 10(c))
- Apologies were received from: The Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Professor D. Anderson, Ms. V. Gooding, Professor R. Whittenbury

22. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2001 were approved and signed by the Chair.

23. Matters Arising

(a) Wainbody House

REPORTED:-

- (i) That, on the advice of the agents, further offers had been invited for the property.
- (ii) That the provisional offer from DJL remained open.

(b) Condition Survey and Disability Audit

REPORTED:-

- (i) That the Consultant's report on disabled access had recently been received and was recommending approximately £5m of improvements to the non-residential estate and £2.5m to the residential estate.

- (ii) That recommendations based on the report would be made to the Working Group constituted to consider priorities for the expenditure of £0.5m of funding available from HEFCE for disabled access.

24. Cable and Wireless College

REPORTED (by the Vice-Chancellor):-

That work was being undertaken to establish the feasibility of purchasing the Cable and Wireless College site on Westwood Heath Road.

25. Naming of Biomedical Building

RESOLVED:-

That a proposal from Professor Dalton that the new biomedical research building be named “The Biomedical Research Centre” with two wings called “The Sir Quinton Hazell Wing” and the “Wolfson Wing” be approved.

26. Planning Policy

(a) Warwick District Council Local Plan Review

CONSIDERED:-

A report on the planning application for new residences on the Warwickshire land and the University’s response to the review of the Warwick District Council Local Plan (Paper CPC.25-01/02).

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the prepared statement be submitted in support of the Lakeside Residences scheme, subject to amendment to stress the sustainable transport benefits that the scheme offers.
- (ii) That GVA Grimley be engaged to assist the Estates Officer in the preparation and submission of representations setting out the case for creating an inset in the Green Belt to cover the area of proposed University development.

(b) West Midlands Regional Planning Guidance

RECEIVED:-

A report on the University’s representations in respect of the West Midlands Regional Planning Guidance Review (Paper CPC.26-01/02).

27. Reports from Capital Project Working Groups

(a) Mathematics and Statistics Capital Project Working Group

CONSIDERED:-

- (i) Paper CPC.19-01/02.
- (ii) Proposed plans and elevations (plan nos. 135/129 to 135/139 inclusive).

RESOLVED:-

That the actions of the Working Group and the proposed plans and elevations be approved.

(b) New Sports Facilities Capital Project Working Group

CONSIDERED:-

- (i) Paper CPC.20-01/02.
- (ii) Proposed plans and elevations (plan nos. 135/117 to 135/121 inclusive).

RESOLVED:-

- (i) That the actions of the Working Group be approved.
- (ii) That the proposed plans and elevations be approved, subject to the Working Group reviewing the option of the provision of some natural lighting.

(c) New Residences and Apartments Capital Project Working Group

CONSIDERED:-

- (i) Paper CPC.21-01/02.
- (ii) Proposed plans and elevations (plan nos. 135/40 to 135/144 inclusive).

RESOLVED:-

That the actions of the Working Group and the proposed plans and elevations be approved.

28. Report from Environment Committee**CONSIDERED:-**

Paper CPC.27-01/02.

RESOLVED:-

That the recommendations in respect of the proposed pedestrian crossing at Gibbet Hill be approved.

29. Flat Screen Computer Monitors**CONSIDERED:-**

A report prepared by the Services Engineer (Paper CPC.29-01/02).

RESOLVED:-

That the proposal to adopt flat screen monitors be reviewed at the end of the current financial year.

30. Clinical Sciences Building**REPORTED (by the Estates Officer) that:-**

- (a) the PFI process for redevelopment of the Walsgrave Hospital as a teaching hospital was continuing with the aim of contract close in mid-March.
- (b) the University's principal interest lay in the Clinical Sciences Building that would be built adjacent to the main hospital to accommodate shared teaching facilities and biomedical research laboratories.
- (c) the proposed opening date remained October 2003.

RECEIVED:-

Plan nos. 135/122 to 135/128 inclusive showing the elevations and layout of the Clinical Sciences Building.

31. Report from Building Programme Steering Group**RECEIVED:-**

A report from the meeting of Building Programme Steering Group held on 14 February 2002. (Paper CPC.21-01/02)

32. Residential EMS Report

RECEIVED:-

A report from the Director of Hospitality Services. (Paper CPC.22-01/02)

33. Appointment of Consultants and Designers

RECEIVED:-

Paper CPC.24-01/02 detailing the appointment of Consultants and Designers to recent major capital projects.

34. Building Progress and Financial Report

RECEIVED:-

The Building Progress and Financial Report up to 31 January 2002. (Paper CPC.23-01/02)

35. Retirement of Development Plan Architect

REPORTED (by the Chair) that:-

- (a) the meeting was the last to be attended by Michael Cain as University Development Plan Architect.
- (b) the Development Plan Architect had served the University for a period of 13 years which had seen the establishment of a robust and effective Development Plan and the construction of over 100,000m² of new buildings.
- (c) the Development Plan Architect had been personally responsible for the design of the Piazza, Students' Union North, Claycroft, Lakeside and the Sports Pavilion.

RESOLVED:-

That the University owed the Development Plan Architect a very significant debt of gratitude for his distinguished service over the last 13 years.

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