

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

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Philippa Glover
Secretary to Council

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The following items and reports are for consideration at the first part of the Council meeting to be held at 5.00pm on Tuesday, 21 November 2017:

1. Apologies and Conflicts of Interest

TO REPORT:

That, should any members or attendees of the Council have any conflicts of interest relating to agenda items for the meeting, they should be declared in accordance with The Committee of University Chairs Higher Education Code of Governance (2014).

2. Strategic Topic for Discussion: University Strategy

TO CONSIDER:

A discussion on the University Strategy.

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The following items and reports are for consideration at the second part of the Council meeting to be held at 9.00am on Wednesday, 22 November 2017:

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL (Green Papers)

1. Apologies and Conflicts of Interest

TO REPORT:

That, should any members or attendees of the Council have any conflicts of interest relating to agenda items for the meeting, they should be declared in accordance with The Committee of University Chairs Higher Education Code of Governance (2014).

2. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 18 October 2017 ([attached](#)).

3. Matter Arising on the Minutes

(a) Membership of the Council (minute 7/17-18 refers)

4. Chair's Business

5. *Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the Vice-Chancellor ([C.17/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

6. Strategic Topics for Discussion

TO CONSIDER:

(a) Strategy Development (oral report)

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(b) Research Strategy

A presentation on the University's Research Strategy ([C.18/17-18, to follow](#)).

7. *California

TO CONSIDER:

A review of the University of Warwick in California Project ([C.19/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

8. *Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the meeting of the Senate held on 18 October 2017 ([C.20/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

9. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

(a) *Finance and General Purposes Committee ([C.21/17-18 {restricted}](#)), to include:

- (i) Draft consolidated Statutory Accounts of the University for the year ended 31 July 2017 ([Appendix 1a](#));
- (ii) Explanatory note for the HEFCE of movements between the July plan submission and the year end result ([Appendix 1b](#));
- (iii) Letter of representation ([Appendix 1c](#));
- (iv) Annual Sustainability Assurance Report (ASSUR) ([Appendix 2](#));
- (v) Amendment to Loan Covenants ([FGPC.26/17-18](#));
- (vi) University Efficiency Return ([FGPC.23/17-18](#)).

(b) *Audit and Risk Committee ([C.22/17-18 {restricted}](#)), to include:

- (i) Audit and Risk Committee Annual Report for 2016-17 ([Appendix 1](#));
- (ii) Revised Audit Engagement Letter for KPMG ([Appendix 2](#));
- (iii) Proposed Internal Audit Terms of Reference ([Appendix 5](#));
- (iv) Management Letter of the University's External Auditors ([Appendix 3](#));
- (v) Extract of the Internal Audit Annual Report for 2016-17 ([Appendix 4](#)).

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- (c) *Remuneration Committee

The annual report of the Remuneration Committee ([C.23/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

- (d) *University Estate Committee (oral report)

- (e) Equality and Diversity Committee ([C.24/17-18](#))

10. Returns to the HEFCE

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) *Prevent Duty Annual Report

The draft annual report to the HEFCE outlining the University's compliance with the Prevent Duty ([C.25/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

- (b) *Academic Quality Assurance Report

A report on academic quality, standards and the student experience at the University in 2016-17 ([C.26/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

- (c) Annual Assurance Return to the HEFCE (Annex A)

The draft of the University's Annual Assurance Return to the HEFCE ([C.27/17-18](#)).

11. *University Risk Update: Autumn Term 2017

TO CONSIDER:

A paper on the status of the University's key risks ([C.28/17-18 {restricted}](#)).

12. Any Other Business

MATTERS TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE WITHOUT FURTHER DISCUSSION (Blue Papers)

The following reports are non-controversial or can be accepted with a minimum of explanation. Members of the Council may, however, ask for any of the following items to be transferred to the 'Matters for Consideration by the Council' element of the Agenda for the day by contacting the Secretary to Council prior to the meeting via e-mail to universitycouncil@warwick.ac.uk or by raising the item at the commencement of the meeting.

13. Reports from Council and Joint Senate and Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) *Research Governance and Ethics Committee ([C.29/17-18 {restricted}](#)).
- (b) *Annual Report of the Honorary Degrees Committee ([C.30/17-18 {restricted}](#))

14. Modern Slavery Act

TO CONSIDER:

The University's Annual Statement on Modern Slavery 2016-17 ([C.31/17-18](#)).

15. Register of Members' Interests

- (a) Conflicts of Interest Guidance

TO REPORT:

That members of the Council, as trustees of the University, are obliged to have due regard to the '[Charity Commission's policy guidance on conflicts of interest for charity trustees](#)'.

- (b) Register of Interests

TO RECEIVE:

The Register of Interests of members of the University Council for the academic year 2017-18 as at 13 November 2017 ([C.32/17-18](#)).

16. Public Benefit Guidance

TO REPORT:

That members of the Council, as trustees of the University, are reminded of their obligation to have due regard to the '[Charity Commission's policy guidance on public benefit: rules for charities](#)'

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17. HEFCE Memorandum of Assurance and Accountability

TO RECEIVE:

A paper outlining changes to the HEFCE Memorandum of Assurance and Accountability ([C.33/17-18](#)).

18. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A report setting out the awards and distinctions conferred on members of the University since the meeting of the Council held on 18 October 2017 ([C.34/17-18](#)).

19. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

A report requesting amendments to University Ordinances ([C.35/17-18](#)).

20. Amendments to University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

A report requesting confirmation of amendments to University Regulations ([C.36/17-18](#)).

21. Chair's Action

TO RECEIVE:

A report setting out actions taken by the Chair on behalf of the Council since the meeting of the Council held on 18 October 2017 ([C.37/17-18](#)).

22. Dates of Future Meetings

TO REPORT:

That the future meetings of the Council for the 2017-18 academic year are as follows:

Tuesday, 6 February 2018 (Away Day)	11.00am to 9.30pm
Wednesday, 7 February 2018	9.00am to 2.00pm
Tuesday, 15 May 2018	5.00pm to 9.30pm
Wednesday, 16 May 2018	9.00am to 2.00pm
Tuesday, 10 July 2018	5.00pm to 9.30pm
Wednesday, 11 July 2018	9.00am to 2.00pm