

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Wednesday 8 July 2009
at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber, University House

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Registrar

A G E N D A

Please note that the selected papers which should remain private and confidential to Council members and attendees only are clearly denoted with asterisks within the agenda.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE COUNCIL (Green Papers)

Note: The following items and reports are for consideration at the meeting. A summary sheet is provided with each paper setting out in broad terms the content of the paper and the action which the Council is asked to take on each specific item.

1. Minutes

TO CONSIDER:

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 18 March 2009 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

3. Pro-Chancellor's Business

Strategic Discussion Topics for Meetings of the Council (minute 6/07-08 refers)

TO RECEIVE:

A list of strategic items for discussion at future meetings of the Council (C.57/08-09, attached).

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

5. Membership of the University Council

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) *A report from the meeting of the Nominations Committee held on 21 May 2009 (C.58/08-09, attached) together with an oral report from the Pro-Chancellor and the Registrar, following the meeting of the Nominations Committee held immediately prior to the meeting of the Council, on the progress of the Nominations Committee in identifying new lay members of the University Council.

- (b) *A recommendation from the Nominations Committee for the appointment of a lay member of the University Council for the period to 31 July 2012 (C.59/08-09, attached).

6. Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor including proposals for the appointment of a Pro-Vice-Chancellor from 1 August 2009.

7. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on selected items considered at the meetings of the Senate held on 17 June 2009 and 1 July 2009 together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor (C.60/08-09, attached).

8. Council Committee Dates for 2009/10 and Term Dates

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from the Pro-Chancellor concerning the proposed dates of meetings of the Council and its committees for the academic year 2009/10 and University term dates for 2018/19.

9. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

(a) University Health and Safety Executive Committee (C.61/08-09, attached).

(b) Building Committee (C.62/08-09, attached).

(c) *Audit Committee (C.63/08-09, attached).

(d) Finance & General Purposes Committee Part 1 (C.64/08-09 {Part 1}, attached).

10. Financial Plan 2009 – 2013

TO CONSIDER:

The University draft Financial Plan for the period through 2012/2013 as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Senate (C.65/08-09, attached).

11. University Risk Status

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) A summary report outlining the current risk status for a selection of key risks of the University (C.66/08-09, attached).
- (b) The annual letter from the Chief Executive of the HEFCE outlining the HEFCE's risk assessment for each individual institution across many areas, including student recruitment and retention, financial performance, audit findings and estates management, stating that the University of Warwick was assessed as 'not at high risk' (C.67/08-09, attached).

12. Any Other Business

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

The following papers 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 Agenda for the day by contacting the Registrar (ext: 23708) or Deputy Registrar (ext: 22713) prior to the meeting or by raising the item at the commencement of the meeting.

13. Reports from Council Committees

Finance and General Purposes Committee Part 2 (C.64/08-09 {Part 2}, attached)

14. Awards and Distinctions

TO RECEIVE:

A paper setting out the awards and distinctions that have been conferred on members of the University since the last meeting of the Council held on 18 March 2009 (C.68/08-09, attached).

15. Register of Members' Interests

TO REPORT:

That a copy of the Register of Interests of members of the University Council is available from the Deputy Registrar's Office and that the University would be writing to each of those members of the Council who would continue to serve in 2009/10 to update existing information on their interests.

16. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 7 (C.69/08-09, attached).
- (b) For the first time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 7 (including amendments relating to the establishment of the School of Life Sciences) and University Ordinance 13 (C.70/08-09, attached).

17. Amendments to University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to University Regulations (C.71/08-09, attached).

18. Approvals by the Chair

(a) University HR Policies

TO RECEIVE:

Copies of the HR policies that have been approved by the Chair on behalf of the Council (C.72/08-09, attached).

(b) Conferral of Emeritus Status

TO REPORT:

That the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's action on behalf of the Council to approve the following recommendations from the Senate for the conferral of the title of Emeritus Professor and Emeritus Reader respectively on the following colleagues with effect from their retirement (given in brackets below):

Emeritus Professor

Professor S Clarke, Sociology (31 July 2009)

Professor A Elger, Sociology (31 July 2009)

Professor W K Fulford, WMS (1 September 2009)

Professor P Stanfield, Biological Sciences (30 September 2009)

Professor C Aubrey, Education (30 September 2009)

Professor I Stewart, Mathematics (30 September 2009)

Professor J Copas, Statistics (31 October 2009)

Emeritus Reader

Dr J Rignall, English (31 December 2009)

All members of the Council and attendees at the meeting are reminded that papers circulated for consideration at the meeting remain confidential to the University and should not be circulated or discussed outside the University community.