

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Wednesday 14 July 2010
at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber, University House

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Registrar

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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 19 May 2010 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

USS Pensions Review Update (minute 107/09-10 refers)

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.61/09-10, attached).

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

5. Membership of the University Council

TO REPORT:

That, at its meeting held on 7 July 2010, the Senate confirmed that the following academic members of the Senate to membership of the Council for the period from 1 August 2010 through 31 July 2013:

Professor Sean Hand, French
Professor Tim Jones, Chemistry

Professor Abhinay Muthoo, Economics
Professor Mark Taylor, Warwick Business School
Professor Peter Winstanley, Warwick Medical School

TO CONSIDER:

*A report from the meeting of the Nominations Committee held on 29 June 2010 (C.62/09-10, attached) together with an oral report from the Pro-Chancellor and the Registrar on the progress of the Nominations Committee in identifying new lay members of the University Council.

6. Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors

TO CONSIDER:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor including proposals for the appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors from 1 August 2010.

7. The Harris Report: Implementation Plan

TO CONSIDER:

A proposed implementation plan and schedule from the Harris Report Implementation Group, chaired by Professor Mark Harrison (C.63/09-10, attached).

8. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on selected items considered at the meetings of the Senate held on 16 June 2010 and 7 July 2010 together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor (C.64/09-10, attached).

9. 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 19 May 2010 (C.65/09-10, attached).

10. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Equality and Diversity Committee (C.66/09-10, attached).
- (b) Honorary Degrees Committee (C.67/09-10, attached).
- (c) Building Committee (C.68/09-10, attached).
- (d) *Audit Committee (C.69/09-10, attached).
- (e) Research Ethics Committee (C.70/09-10, attached).
- (f) University Health and Safety Executive Committee (C.71/09-10, attached)

(g) Finance & General Purposes Committee Part 1 (C.72/09-10{Part 1}, attached).

11. Financial Plan 2010 – 2014

TO CONSIDER:

The University draft Financial Plan for the period through 2013/2014 as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Senate (C.73/09-10, attached).

12. University Risk Status Summary Report

TO CONSIDER:

A summary report outlining the current risk status for each of the key risks of the University together with relevant sections of the University Risk Register (C.74/09-10, attached).

13. Any Other Business

14. Strategic Topic for Discussion:

TO RECEIVE:

Brief presentations from Patrick Dunne, Trudi Elliott and Nick Sanders on their perception of the challenges faced by the University and the British higher education sector as a whole and areas in which lay members of the Council can help.

TO CONSIDER:

The future significant challenges and risks faced by the University and what contribution lay members of the Council might make to help the University meet future challenges and exploit future opportunities in the best way.

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.

15. Reports from Council Committees

Finance and General Purposes Committee Part 2 (C.72/09-10 {Part 2}, attached).

16. Timetable for Council Committees and Term Dates

TO CONSIDER:

The timetable of meetings for committees of the Council for the academic year 2010/11 and University term dates for 2017/18 (C.75/09-10, attached).

17. 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 2010/11 to update existing information on their interests.

18. Amendments to University Statutes (minute 103/09-10 refers)

For the second time, proposed amendments to University Statutes 14, 16 and 21 in relation to the change in legal status of the Students' Union (C.76/09-10, attached), noting that these changes will not be presented immediately to the Privy Council but will be submitted at the next available opportunity following the agreed date of incorporation.

19. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinances as recommended by the Senate (C.77/09-10, attached):
 - (i) Ordinances 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties and 10 on Departments
 - (ii) Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas
 - (iii) Ordinance 23: Code of Practice pursuant to the Education Act 1994 Part II: Students' Unions
- (b) For the first time, proposed amendments to University Ordinances establishing the Warwick Manufacturing Group and the School of Life Sciences as departments within the Board of the Faculty of Science, as recommended by the Senate (C.78/09-10, attached):

20. Amendments to University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to University Regulations as recommended by the Senate (C.79/09-10, attached)

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.