

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Thursday 14 October 2010
at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber, University House.

Jon F Baldwin
Registrar

A G E N D A

As approved by the Council at its meeting on 28 September 2005, selected papers will remain private and confidential to Council members and attendees only. These items 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 14 July 2010 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

3. Membership of the University Council

TO RECEIVE:

A statement of the membership of the Council for the 2010/11 academic year (C.1/10-11, attached).

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) An oral report from the Pro-Chancellor and the Registrar, following the meeting of the Nominations Committee held prior to the meeting of the 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 2013 (C.2/10-11, attached).

4. 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.3/10-11, attached).

5. Vice-Chancellor's Business

6. Membership of Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

The membership of Council Committees for the 2010/11 academic year (C.4/10-11, attached).

7. Code of Corporate Governance, Statement of Primary Responsibilities and Delegated Authorities

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) The University's Code of Practice on Corporate Governance (C.5/10-11, attached).
- (b) The University's Statement of Primary Responsibilities (C.6/10-11, attached).
- (c) A paper summarising the HEFCE's and Charity Commission's public benefit reporting requirements (C.7/10-11, attached), noting that the University confirms it has due regard to these within the University's financial statements.

8. Revised Financial Memorandum

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the revised Model Financial Memorandum between HEFCE and institutions together with letters received by the Vice-Chancellor confirming that the FM became effective from 1 August 2010 and highlighting the responsibilities of accountable officers (C.8/10-11, attached).

9. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on selected items considered at the meeting of the Senate on 6 October 2010 (C.9/10-11, attached) together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

10. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) *Remuneration Committee (C.10/10-11, to be tabled).
- (b) *Finance & General Purposes Committee Part 1 (C.11/10-11{Part 1}, attached).

11. 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 14 July 2010 (C.12/10-11, attached).

12. Any Other Business

13. Strategic Topic for Discussion: *League Tables – Friend or Foe?*

TO CONSIDER:

A presentation from the Director of Management Information and Planning on the methodologies used to compile University League Tables (C.13/10-11, attached), followed by discussion led by the Vice-Chancellor and Registrar on the wider implications.

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

The following papers are deemed 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.

14. Reports from Council Committees

Finance and General Purposes Committee Part 2 (C.11/10-11 {Part 2}, attached).

15. Register of Members' Interests

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the Register of Interests of Members of the University Council for the academic year 2010/11 as at 8 October 2010 (C.14/10-11, attached), noting that this will be updated and the latest version posted on the Council members' web page as responses are received from all members of the Council.

16. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinances 7 and 14 establishing the Warwick Manufacturing Group and the School of Life Sciences as departments within the Faculty of Science and concerning Honorary Degrees, as recommended by the Senate (C.15/10-11, attached).
- (b) For the first time, proposed amendments to Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Board of the Faculty of Medicine, as recommended by the Senate (C.16/10-11, attached).

17. Amendments to University Regulations

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed Revisions to Regulation 9.5 on the Constitution of the Board of Examiners for MB ChB (C.17/10-11, attached).

18. Approvals by the Chair

(a) Amendments to University Regulations

TO REPORT:

That the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's action on behalf of the Council to approve amendments to University Regulation 8 to reflect changes in the University's assessment conventions as well as to remove the following redundant sections of the Regulations:

- (i) 8.5 Regulations for the Degree of BA (with Qualified Teacher Status) (post 1996 entry)
- (ii) 8.5.1 Regulations for the Degree of BA (with Qualified Teacher Status) (pre 1996 entry)
- (iii) 8.6 Regulations for the Degree of BEd
- (iv) 8.8 Regulations for the Degree of BPhil(Ed) (Part-time)

(b) Appointments to Council Committees

TO REPORT:

That the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's action on behalf of the Council to approve the appointment of Mr Kevin Gamble to the Audit Committee as the external member for the period through 31 July 2013, noting that he would be invited to attend the first meeting of the Committee in the Autumn Term 2013 at which the Committee's Annual Report and the University's Internal Control Statement are typically considered.