

## UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK

### Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 8 July 2015

Present: Sir George Cox (Pro-Chancellor (Chair)), Mr R Ankcorn (Democracy and Development Officer, Students' Union), Mr K Bedell-Pearce (Treasurer), Ms V Cooke (Lay Member (Vice-Chair)), Professor S Croft (Provost), Mrs P Egan (Lay Member), Ms T Elliott (Lay Member), Mr J Higgins (Lay Member), Professor C Hughes (Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning)), Professor C W Hughes (Academic Member of the Senate), Ms J MacNaughton (Lay Member), Professor A Muthoo (Academic Member of the Senate) (except for items 144/14-15 to 164/14-15), Sir David Normington (Lay Member), Ms M Philbin (Lay Member), Mr M Temple (Lay Member), Professor P Thomas (Academic Member of the Senate), Professor Sir Nigel Thrift (Vice-Chancellor and President), Ms C Turhan (President, Students' Union), Professor P Winstanley (Academic Member of the Senate).

Apologies: Dame Fiona Caldicott (Lay Member), Mr P Dunne (Lay Member), Dr J Ferrie (Lay Member), Mr G Howells (Lay Member), Professor T Jones (Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Science, Engineering and Medicine)), Mr A Rivett (Non-Academic Member of Staff).

In Attendance: Mrs E Birch (Assistant Registrar (Governance)), Ms R Drinkwater (Group Finance Director), Mrs P Glover (Director of Governance and Assurance Services), Ms J Horsburgh (Deputy Registrar (Assistant Secretary)), Sir Richard Lambert (Chancellor and Chair of the Warwick Commission) (for item 134/14-15), Mr D Marlow (Commissioner and Secretary to the Warwick Commission) (for item 134/14-15), Mr O Rice (Incoming second student member of the Council), Mr K Sloan (Registrar and Chief Operating Officer (Secretary)).

#### NOTES:

- (i) The Chair of Council welcomed Mr O Rice in attendance prior to joining the Council formally in his capacity as a student member of the Council for the 2015-16 academic year.
- (ii) The Chair of Council welcomed Sir Richard Lambert (Chancellor and Chair of the Warwick Commission) and Mr D Marlow (Commissioner and Secretary to the Commission) to the meeting.

#### 134/14-15 \*Strategic Topic for Discussion: The Warwick Commission 2015

##### CONSIDERED:

An update paper on the Chancellor's Commission (C.72/14-15 {restricted}), together with an oral report from the Chancellor and Chair of the Warwick Commission.

##### **(COMMERCIAL AND IN CONFIDENCE)**

##### RESOLVED:

That an update report on the Warwick Commission 2015 be presented for discussion on the evening preceding the formal meeting of the November 2015 Council.

135/14-15 Minutes

CONSIDERED:

The minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 20 May 2015 and 29 June 2015.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meetings of the Council held on 20 May 2015 and 29 June 2015 be approved.

136/14-15 Cheltenham Science Festival (minute 106(k)/14-15 refers)

REPORTED: (by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning))

- (a) That as part of the University's 50th anniversary celebrations, the Faculty of Science hosted a 'What If?' marquee at the 2015 Cheltenham Science Festival.
- (b) That throughout the week over 120 Warwick staff, students and University linked participants were involved.
- (c) That the University had introduced it's 'Idea's Café' to the Cheltenham Festival which had been well-attended.
- (d) That the event had been very successful, with a different theme each day, attracting return audiences.
- (e) That she wished to express her thanks to the Project Officer, Ms Charlotte Carroll, for her fabulous logistical management.

137/14-15 \*WMG UK Research Partnership Investment Fund Facilities (minute 106(e)/14-15 refers)

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138/14-15 Conflicts of Interest

REPORTED:

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 CUC Guide for Members of Higher Education Governing Bodies in the UK.

NOTE: No declarations were made.

139/14-15 Chair of Council's Business: Update on the Appointment of the Successor to the Vice-Chancellor and President (minutes 105(b)/14-15 and 133/14-15 refer)

REPORTED: (by the Chair of Council)

That, on behalf of the Council, he wished to congratulate Professor Stuart Croft on his appointment as successor to the Vice-Chancellor and President with effect from February 2016.

140/14-15 Chair of Council's Business: Lay Membership of the Council

REPORTED: (by the Chair of Council)

- (a) That he wished to record the thanks of the Council to Mr Patrick Dunne, Mrs Penny Egan, Ms Trudi Elliott and Mr John Higgins for their significant contributions to the work of the Council and its committees.
- (b) That following consideration by correspondence, the Council had approved the appointment of Dr Neil Bentley and Dr Deborah Keith as lay members of the Council with effect from 1 August 2015.

141/14-15 Chair of Council's Business: Student Membership of the Council

REPORTED: (by the Chair of Council)

- (a) That he wished to record the thanks of the Council to the outgoing President of the Students' Union, Ms Cat Turhan, and the outgoing Democracy and Development Officer, Mr Rob Ankcorn, for their very positive contributions to the work of the Council.
- (b) That Mr Oliver Rice, a former Philosophy, Politics and Economics undergraduate student and the elected SU Democracy and Development Officer for the academic year 2015/16, had been appointed as the second student member of Council for the academic year 2015/16, alongside incoming SU President, Mr Isaac Leigh.

142/14-15 Chair of Council's Business: Statutory Position of the Role of Pro-Chancellor

REPORTED: (by the Chair of Council)

- (a) That the University's Charter (paragraph 6) and Statutes (paragraph 4) provided for there to be up to two Pro-Chancellors of the University, noting that these were ceremonial roles in support of the Chancellor.
- (b) That, by convention, the Chair of Council had been appointed simultaneously to the role of Pro-Chancellor, however the roles were independent of each other.
- (c) That it would be helpful to utilise the provision to appoint two Pro-Chancellors in future, in order to increase the University's capacity to host, attend and support events on behalf of the Chancellor.
- (d) That he wished to propose that, henceforth, the Vice-Chair of Council should be appointed to the role of Pro-Chancellor, in addition to the serving Chair of Council, increasing the number of Pro-Chancellors to two.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the title of Pro-Chancellor be bestowed on the Vice-Chair of Council, in addition to the Chair of Council, for the duration of their term of appointment (passed nem con).
- (b) That Ms V Cooke, Vice-Chair of the Council, be congratulated on her appointment as a Pro-Chancellor of the University, with immediate effect.

143/14-15 Vice-Chancellor and President's Business

RECEIVED:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and President, together with a summary list of topics to be addressed by the Vice-Chancellor and President (C.73/14-15).

(a) Appointment of the Successor to the Vice-Chancellor and President

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chancellor and President)

That he wished to record formally his congratulations to Professor Stuart Croft on his appointment.

(b) Graduation 2015

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chancellor and President)

(i) That the summer graduation ceremonies would begin on 13 July 2015, with approximately 4,500 students graduating across 12 ceremonies, noting that it was an immensely proud moment for the graduating students and their families.

(ii) That, schedules permitting, he would encourage Council members to attend the ceremonies and degree congregation dinner.

(c) Government Funding Cuts

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chancellor and President)

(i) That he wished to record his thanks to University staff following what had been a hard year, noting that there had been favourable indicators to demonstrate that the work of previous years was paying off.

(ii) That the University's achievements had been realised without the scale of reserves, endowments or borrowings of some competitors, but through concentrating on academic fundamentals and by systematic innovation.

(iii) That the University was entering a difficult period, noting that in addition to the in-year £450m cut from the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS), further budget cuts of between 20 and 40 per cent for BIS were expected to be announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer for the next five years of the parliament.

(iv) That it was anticipated that maintenance grants for the poorest students would move to a loan based system, and that transitional funding would cease.

(v) That at the same time, there were signs that the government would look critically at dual support and the role of the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) in general.

(vi) That the University was in an optimal position to face these challenges.

(vii) That the University had a strategy to grow its endowment funding, noting that there was a particular challenge to grow general, unrestricted endowment funds.

- (viii) That the University was doing well in terms of its fundraising, having raised £15m above the target set over the last five years.

(by the President of the Students' Union)

- (ix) That the University might wish to consider its hardship funding, in the event of maintenance grant cuts for the poorest students.

(by the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer)

- (x) That the University did not work to a constrained hardship budget, but worked with students on an individual basis, noting that it was also important to support such students in non-budgetary ways.
- (xi) That the Students' Union provided support to students facing financial difficulties through its advice centre.
- (xii) That the University worked hard to avoid students ceasing their studies as a result of financial hardship.
- (xiii) That it was important to look across all of the University's income streams, noting that the unrestricted funds generated by the work of the Campus and Commercial Services Group (CCSG) for reinvestment in the academic and campus experience over the last five years was novel for a university of Warwick's size.

(by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning))

- (xiv) That part of the widening participation strategy had been focussed on external funding for students, recognising the vulnerability of government funding.
- (xv) That the Development and Alumni Relations Office (DARO) had been successful in securing additional funding for student bursaries, on top of the funding the University provided.

144/14-15 Registrar and Chief Operating Officer's Business: Appointment of the Successor to the Chair of the Council (minute 105(a)/14-15 refers)

REPORTED: (by Ms P Egan)

- (a) That the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer and she had each consulted individually with every member of the Council in relation to a potential successor to the Chair of Council.

(by the Chair of Council)

- (b) That the strength and number of internal candidates for the position of Chair was testament to the quality of the membership of the Council.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That Sir David Normington be appointed as the successor to Sir George Cox, as the Chair of Council, with effect from 1 August 2017 (passed nem con).

- (b) That Sir David Normington be congratulated on his appointment as the successor to the Chair of Council.

145/14-15 Registrar and Chief Operating Officer's Business: Students' Union

REPORTED: (by the Democracy and Development Officer, Students' Union)

- (a) That the current and incoming President of the Student's Union, the incoming Democracy and Development Officer, and he, had undertaken a significant amount of work to review and change the democratic structures of the Students' Union.
- (b) That the structures had become outdated, it being noted that the internet enabled the whole student body to engage and vote.
- (c) That those involved in the Student Council were now representatives in student committees (e.g. welfare), where they were able to effect change.
- (d) That he anticipated the changes would result in an increase in the number of students willing to run for sabbatical officer positions.

146/14-15 Registrar and Chief Operating Officer's Business: Keeping Campus Moving

REPORTED: (by the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer)

That the extensive works around the plaza and piazza were anticipated to be completed by the end of August 2015, noting that the completion of the bus terminus, which was expected to be fully opened in September 2015, would be the final part of the works.

147/14-15 \*2015/16 Budget and Provisional University Financial Plan 2015-19

CONSIDERED:

A paper regarding the University draft Financial Plan for the four years ending 31 July 2019 and the 2015/16 budget, as recommended by the Finance and General Purposes Committee and the Senate (C.74/14-15 {restricted}), together with an oral report and presentation from the Vice-Chancellor and President, the Provost, the Treasurer, the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer and the Group Finance Director.

**(COMMERCIAL AND IN CONFIDENCE)**

RESOLVED:

That the draft Financial Plan 2015/16 – 2018/19, and the annual Financial Return to HEFCE for submission to HEFCE by its deadline of 31 July 2015 (C.74/14-15 {restricted}), be approved.

148/14-15 \*California: Progress Report

CONSIDERED:

An oral report from the Provost on progress to establish academic and student activities and a physical presence in California.

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RESOLVED:

That the oral report from the Provost on progress to establish academic and student activities and a physical presence in California be noted.

149/14-15 \*University Risk Update

CONSIDERED:

A paper on the status of the University's key risks, together with an oral report from the Deputy Registrar (C.75/14-15 {restricted}).

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RESOLVED:

- (a) That the list of institutional risks, as set out in Annex A of paper C.75/14-15 {restricted}, be noted.
- (b) That the risk status report, as set out in paper C.75/14-15 {restricted}, be approved.

150/14-15 Competition and Markets Authority (CMA): Advice on Consumer Protection Law to UK Higher Education Providers

CONSIDERED:

A paper on the CMA compliance advice published in March 2015, together with an oral report from the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer (C.76/14-15).

REPORTED: (by the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer)

- (a) That the UK government had confirmed students were consumers, hence the University was subject to the CMA.
- (b) That compliance with consumer protection law was required by October 2015, noting that this would have a number of implications.
- (c) That it would be possible for a student complaint to circumvent the Office of Independent Adjudicator (OIA) route, moving directly to civil court proceedings.
- (d) That the CMA could test information in the public domain, issuing cash spot fines for non-compliance with consumer protection law, it being noted that broad caveats stating that, for example, course details might be subject to change, were not acceptable.
- (e) That a working group had been established on behalf of the University Senate Steering Committee, to work through the implications and address the requirements that had been identified in the CMA guidance.
- (f) That the working group would seek to avoid adopting an overly conservative approach in order to mitigate the risks, noting that such an approach would limit the value of published information.

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the paper on the CMA compliance advice published in March 2015, (C.76/14-15), be noted.
- (b) That the approval by the Steering Committee and the Senate for the establishment of a Working Group to take forward a programme to address the requirements outlined by the CMA, be noted.
- (c) That the approval by the Steering Committee and the Senate to add the CMA guidance to the University's Institutional Risk Register, be noted.
- (d) That an update on this matter be provided to the Council in autumn 2015.

151/14-15 \*Report from the Senate

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, a report on selected items considered at the meetings of the Senate held on 10 June 2015 and 29 June 2015 (C.77/14-15 {restricted}), together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and President on the following items of business:

(a) Gender, Diversity and Values

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chancellor and President)

That the University was making a concerted effort to improve all aspects of diversity, led by Professor P Thomas.

(b) Warwick International Higher Education Academy: Advisory Board

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chancellor and President)

That a determined push to enhance further the University's teaching quality was being led by the Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning).

- (c) University Financial Plan 2015, including the 2015-2016 Budget
- (d) University Risk Update
- (e) University Strategy
- (f) Development of the Faculty of Medicine
- (g) Competition and Markets Authority: Guidance for UK Higher Education Providers
- (h) University Complaints Framework
- (i) University Discipline Framework
- (j) Report from the Academic Quality and Standards Committee
- (k) Report from the Academic Staff Committee
- (l) Report from the University Health and Safety Executive Committee
- (m) Establishment of New Research Centres
- (n) Research Centre Triennial Review
- (o) Report from the Widening Participation Strategy Group
- (p) Membership of the Senate and representation of the Senate on the Council
- (q) Election of a Representative of the Assembly to Membership of the Senate
- (r) Election of a Representative of the Senate to Membership of the Steering Committee
- (s) Amendment to Regulation 34, Fitness to Practise
- (t) Amendment to Ordinance 7, Constitution of the Faculties
- (u) Amendment to Ordinance 13, Degrees and Diplomas
- (v) Staff, Student and Alumni Deaths

152/14-15 \*Report from the Finance and General Purposes Committee (FGPC)

(a) \*Report from 27 May 2015 and 23 June 2015 FGPC Meetings

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, with the resolution set out below, a report from the meetings of the FGPC held on 27 May 2015 and 23 June 2015 (C.78/14-15 {restricted}) on the following items of business:

- (i) Financial Plan 2015/16
- (ii) Financial Performance – Quarter 3, 2014/15
- (iii) Update on the Wellesbourne Campus
- (iv) Off-Campus Accommodation
- (v) Trustee Board of the University of Warwick Pensions Scheme
- (vi) HEFCE Annual Assessment of Risk and Sector Benchmarking
- (vii) Financial Sustainability Strategy Group (FSSG): Annual Sustainability Assessment
- (viii) Alan Turing Institute
- (ix) National Automotive Innovation Centre (NAIC)
- (x) Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS)
- (xi) Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102 and Revised Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)
- (xii) Insurance Renewal 2015/16
- (xiii) Interim Report on Procurement Services
- (xiv) Report from the Investment Sub-Committee
- (xv) Warwick Arts Centre 20:20 Project Development

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(b) \*Students Union Motion – Committing in Principle to a Fossil Free Investment Strategy

CONSIDERED:

A proposal from the Students' Union pursuant to the business considered at the meeting of the FGPC held on 23 June 2015 (C.79/14-15 {restricted}).

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PROPOSED: (by the Treasurer)

- (i) That the Council consider and approve the University's amended Socially Responsible Investment Policy (SRIP) as set out in the paper (FGPC.67/14-15, Appendix 2 {restricted}).
- (ii) That the Council consider and adopt the following motion:

Council recommends that the University should review annually the availability, financial viability and appropriateness of fossil free index-related funds for its investments in equities. Should these conditions be met, the University would then commit to replace the existing funds with investments in fossil free index-related funds in line with the SRI criterion of corporate behaviour leading to environmental degradation.

Note: The motion proposed by the Treasurer was seconded by the Democracy and Development Officer, Students Union.

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the recommendation from FGPC to instruct the University's investment managers to proceed with the investment strategy outlined at the meeting of the Investment Sub-Committee meeting on 8 June 2015 as set out in the paper (C.78/14-15 {restricted}), be approved.
- (ii) That the revised Socially Responsible Investment Policy (SRIP) as set out in the paper (FGPC.67/14-15, Appendix 2 {restricted}) be approved.
- (iii) That the University review annually the availability, financial viability and appropriateness of fossil free index-related funds for its investments in equities. Should these conditions be met, the University would then commit to replace the existing funds with investments in fossil free index-related funds in line with the SRI criterion of corporate behaviour leading to environmental degradation (passed nem con).

153/14-15 \*Report from the Audit Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, with the resolutions set out below, a report from the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 24 June 2015 (C.80/14-15 {restricted}) on the following items of business:

- (a) \*Campus and Commercial Services Group (CCSG)

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- (b) \*Annual Risk Management Report, including the report from the Operational Risk Management Group (ORMG)

REPORTED: (by the Vice-Chair)

- (i) That the Audit Committee recommended that consideration be given to including student wellbeing on the institutional risk register.

(by the President of the Students' Union)

- (ii) That she welcomed the consideration of student wellbeing.

- (c) \*Membership and work of the Audit Committee
- (d) \*Committee of University Chairs (CUC) Code of Higher Education Governance (the Code) - Assessment of compliance
- (e) \*Executive Update Reports, including CMA guidance
- (f) \*Internal Audit progress summary
- (g) \*Internal Audit - Annual plan and IT audit
- (h) \*Whistleblowing Code of Practice

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the report from the meeting of the Audit Committee held on 24 June 2015 (C.80/14-15 {restricted}) be noted.
- (b) That the assessment of the University's compliance with the revised CUC Code of Higher Education Governance, as set out in Appendix 1 of paper C.80/14-15 {restricted}, be noted.

- (c) That the Annual Risk Report 2014/15, as set out in Appendix 2 of paper C.80/14-15 {restricted}, be approved.
- (d) That the inclusion of student wellbeing in the institutional risk register be approved.
- (e) That the wider student experience, including student welfare, be considered as a future Council strategic discussion topic.
- (f) That the competitive risk posed by the planned changes to post-study visas in the USA and Australia be noted.

154/14-15 \*Report from the Remuneration Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, a report from the meeting of the Remuneration Committee held on 13 March 2015 (C.81/14-15 {restricted}) on the following items of business:

- (a) \*Performance and Salary Reviews

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- (b) \*USS pension changes update

155/14-15 Report from the Equality and Diversity Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, with the resolution set out below, a report from the meeting of the Equality and Diversity Committee held on 15 May 2015 on the following items of business, together with the Equality and Diversity Annual Report for 2014/15 (C.82/14-15):

- (a) Race Charter Mark

REPORTED: (by Professor P Thomas)

That the University was working towards the Race Charter Mark, noting that the student survey was now live, with 81 responses being received to date.

- (b) Equality and Diversity Annual Report for 2014/15

REPORTED: (by the Deputy Registrar)

- (i) That equality and diversity was intended to form the basis of a strategic discussion topic at the Council during the 2015/16 academic year.

(by Professor P Thomas)

- (ii) That the revised equality and diversity strategy included a plan to consider the equality and diversity standards of the University's partnerships.

- (c) Widening Participation and Student Recruitment

REPORTED: (by Sir David Normington)

- (i) That, in relation to the Office of Fair Access (OFFA), it might be worthwhile revisiting the progress being made.

- (d) Athena SWAN Charter Mark
- (e) He4She Campaign
- (f) Estates Project Planning
- (g) Equality Challenge Unit (ECU) – Membership Costs
- (h) Equality Objectives
- (i) Disabled Student Allowance (DSA)

RESOLVED:

That the Equality and Diversity Annual Report for 2014/15 (C.82/14-15, Appendix 2) be noted.

156/14-15 \*Report from the University Estate Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, a report from the meeting of the University Estate Committee held on 4 June 2015 (C.83/14-15 {restricted}) on the following items of business:

- (a) Estates Office Strategic Priorities
- (b) Gibbet Hill Masterplanning
- (c) Humanities Forum
- (d) Car Parking
- (e) Condition Survey
- (f) Capital Plan Update
- (g) Conference Facility
- (h) Space Norms
- (i) Energy and Sustainability
- (j) Property, Land and Titles
- (k) Acquisitions of Land

157/14-15 Dates of Future Meetings

REPORTED: (by the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer)

- (a) That the next meeting of the Council would take place on Thursday, 15 October 2015 in the Senate House Council Chamber, with further details to be confirmed.
- (b) That, given its proximity to the meeting of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, the proposed date of the May 2016 meeting of the Council may change, noting that the date would be confirmed to Council members over the summer 2015.

158/14-15 Report from the Research Governance and Ethics Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, with the resolutions as set out below, a report from the meeting of the Research Governance and Ethics Committee held on 2 June 2015 (C.84/14-15) on the following items of business:

- (a) University of Warwick Annual Statement on Research Integrity
- (b) Epigeum On-line Research Integrity Training Package
- (c) Internal Audit Report on Compliance with the Research Integrity Concordat

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the Annual Statement on Research Integrity (C.84/14-15, Appendix 1), be approved.
- (b) That the Annual Statement on Research Integrity be made publically available on the University website, be approved.

159/14-15 Report from the University Health and Safety Executive Committee

CONSIDERED and ADOPTED, with the resolution as set out below, a report from the meeting of the University Health and Safety Executive Committee (UHSEC) held on 11 June 2015 (C.85/14-15) on the following items of business:

- (a) Avon Building Incident
- (b) Annual Health and Safety Report 2014
- (c) Annual Fire Safety Report 2014
- (d) Health and Safety Report 2015 (year to date)
- (e) University Health and Safety Committee (UHSC)
- (f) University Genetic Modification and Biosafety Committee (GMBSC)
- (g) Health and Safety Policies

RESOLVED:

That the Annual Health and Safety Report for 2014, be approved.

160/14-15 Register of Members' Interest

REPORTED:

That a copy of the Register of Interests of members of the University Council was available from the Deputy Registrar's Office and that the Deputy Registrar would be writing to each of those members of the Council who would continue to serve in 2015-16, in order to request that members provide updated information for the register.

161/14-15 Awards and Distinctions

RECEIVED:

A paper setting out the awards and distinctions that had been conferred on members of the University since the last ordinary meeting of the Council held on 20 May 2015 (C.86/14-15).

162/14-15 Future Meeting Dates of the University Council, Timetable for University Council Committees and Term Dates

CONSIDERED:

A list of proposed dates of future meetings of the University Council for the academic years 2015-16 to 2017-18 and University term dates from 2015-16 until 2025-26 (C.87/14-15).

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the confirmed dates for the meetings of the Council for the 2015/16 academic year (as set out in C.87/14-15, Appendix 1), be noted.

- (b) That the provisional dates for the meetings of the Council for the 2016/17 academic year (as set out in C.87/14-15, Appendix 1), be noted.
- (c) That the term dates for 2025/26, as recommended by the Senate (as set out in C.87/14-15, Appendix 2), be approved.

163/14-15 Amendments to University Ordinances

CONSIDERED:

- (a) For the first time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties, as noted by the Senate (C.88/14-15).
- (b) For the first time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas, as noted by the Senate (C.89/14-15).
- (c) For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas, as approved by the Senate (C.89/14-15).

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the proposed amendments to University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties, as noted by the Senate and set out in paper (C.88/14-15), be approved for the first time.
- (b) That the proposed amendments to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas, as noted by the Senate and set out in paper (C.89/14-15), be approved for the first time.
- (c) That the proposed amendments to University Ordinance 13 on Degrees and Diplomas, as approved by the Senate and set out in paper (C.89/14-15), be approved for the second time.

164/14-15 Amendments to University Regulations

CONSIDERED:

- (a) Proposed amendments to University Regulation 23 - Student Disciplinary Offences, as considered by the Senate at its meeting on 29 June 2015 (C.90/14-15).
- (b) Proposed amendments to University Regulation 27 - Residential Accommodation Regulations, as considered by the Senate at its meeting on 29 June 2015 (C.90/14-15).
- (c) Proposed amendments to University Regulation 34 – Regulation for the Determination of Fitness to Practise, as approved by the Senate at its meeting on 29 June 2015 (C.91/14-15).
- (d) Proposed amendments to University Regulation 36 - Regulations Governing Student Registration, Attendance and Progress, as considered by the Senate at its meeting on 29 June 2015 (C.90/14-15).

- (e) Proposed amendments to University Regulation 37 – Regulations Governing Taught Postgraduate Courses, as approved by the Senate at its meeting on 29 June 2015 (C.92/14-15).

RESOLVED:

- (a) That the proposed amendments to University Regulation 23 - Student Disciplinary Offences, be noted as set out in paper (C.90/14-15).
- (b) That the proposed amendments to University Regulation 27 - Residential Accommodation Regulations, be noted as set out in paper (C.90/14-15).
- (c) That the proposed amendments to University Regulation 34 – Regulation for the Determination of Fitness to Practise, be confirmed as set out in paper (C.91/14-15).
- (d) That the proposed amendments to University Regulation 36 - Regulations Governing Student Registration, Attendance and Progress, be noted as set out in paper (C.90/14-15).
- (e) That the proposed amendments to University Regulation 37 – Regulations Governing Taught Postgraduate Courses, be confirmed as set out in paper (C.92/14-15).

As at 7 October 2015