

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Thursday 25 February 2010  
at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber, University House

Jon F Baldwin  
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 27 November 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.26/09-10, attached).

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

5. Change in the Legal Status of the Students' Union

TO CONSIDER:

A paper outlining the proposed forthcoming change in the legal status of the Students' Union, including a summary of the process and key dates (C.27/09-10, attached).

6. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on selected items considered at the meeting of the Senate held on 27 January 2010 together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor (C.28/09-10, attached).

7. HEFCE Consultations

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Consultation from the HEFCE for revisions to the HEFCE Financial Memorandum together with the draft Russell Group Registrar's Group and Committee of University Chairs' responses (C.29/09-10, attached).
- (b) Consultation on HEFCE's information requirements as a result of their new statutory role as principal regulator for higher education institutions as charities together with additional information from the HEFCE (C.30/09-10, attached).

Note: See also item 1 in the report from the Audit Committee in this regard.

8. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Finance & General Purposes Committee Part 1 (C.31/09-10 {Part 1}, attached), together with an oral report from the Chair following the meeting of the Committee held on 18 February 2010.
- (b) Building Committee (C.32/09-10, attached).
- (c) \*Audit Committee (C.33/09-10, attached).
- (d) University Health and Safety Executive Committee (C.34/09-10, attached).
- (e) \*Remuneration Committee (C.35/09-10, attached).
- (f) \*Honorary Degrees Committee (C.36/09-10, to be tabled at the meeting).

9. Any Other Business

10. Strategic Topic for Discussion: Refreshing Vision 2015

TO CONSIDER:

A presentation from the Vice-Chancellor together with a report on the discussion held at the Heads of Department Forum on refreshing the University's Vision 2015 strategy (C.37/09-10, attached).

## 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.

### 11. Reports from Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (a) Finance and General Purposes Committee Part 2 (C.31/09-10 {Part 2}, attached)
- (b) Art Collection Committee (C.38/09-10, attached).
- (c) University Research Ethics Committee (C.39/09-10, attached).

### 12. 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 27 November 2009 (C.40/09-10, attached).

### 13. Deeds

TO REPORT:

That, in accordance with Council minute 33/77-78, a copy of the deeds executed on behalf of the Council since the meeting of the Council on 18 March 2009 is available for consultation in the registry and will be attached to the minutes in the official minute book (C.41/09-10, paper will not be circulated but will be posted on the Council Members' webpage).

### 14. Modern Records Centre 2008-09 Annual Report

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the Modern Records Centre 2008-09 Annual Report (C.42/09-10, attached).

15. Approvals by the Chair

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 on the following colleagues with effect from their retirement (given in brackets below):

*Emeritus Professor*

Professor B Capp, History (30 September 2010)

Professor G Heuman, History (31 July 2010)

Professor L Roberts, Biological Sciences (2 July 2010)

Professor R Wilson, Computer Science (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.**

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