

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on **Wednesday 15 March 2006 at 2.15pm** in the Council Chamber, University House.

C E Charlton
University Secretary

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As approved by the Council at its meeting on 28 September 2005, the distribution arrangements for Council papers have been revised such that selected papers will remain private and confidential for 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:

- (a) The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 14 December 2005 (attached).
- (b) The notes of the informal meeting of the Council held on 1 February 2006 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

3. Pro-Chancellor's Business

Amendments to University Regulations

TO REPORT:

That the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's Action to approve on behalf of the Council the following further amendment to Regulation 14(76) Governing Higher Degrees to bring it in line with the changes previously approved by the Council at its meeting on 14 December:

(76) ...The internal advisor shall be a member of staff other than a supervisor from the candidate's Department or School and shall be appointed by the Senate Chair of the Board of Graduate Studies on the recommendation of the Head of the appropriate Department or School.

4. Vice-Chancellor's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

TO CONSIDER:

(a) A report from the meetings of the Senate held on 1 February and 8 March 2006 (C.34/05-06, to follow).

(b) *The full report from the feasibility study undertaken by Grenzebach Glier Associates to evaluate the University's potential to conduct a major fundraising campaign (C.35/05-06, to follow) (minute 31/05-06 refers).

5. Warwick in Asia (minute 25/05-06 refers)

TO CONSIDER:

The report from the Singapore Academic Planning Group established by the Vice-Chancellor to develop an alternative plan for academic development in Singapore (C.36/05-06, attached).

6. Recurrent Funding 2006/2007

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the letter from the HEFCE concerning the recurrent grant allocation to the University for the academic year 2006/07, a news release from the HEFCE summarising its allocations of recurrent funding to all higher education institutions for 2006/07 and Circular Letter number 03/2006 from the HEFCE on additional research capital funding for the period 2006-08 together with a note prepared by the Acting Director of Finance on the implications of the recurrent settlement on the University's financial plan (C.37/05-06, attached).

7. Sustainability

TO REPORT:

That, as set out in HEFCE circular letter number 28/2005 (C.38/05-06, attached), the HEFCE requires all higher education institutions to provide an initial framework setting out how its long-term sustainability is being managed.

TO CONSIDER:

The draft University sustainability framework (C.39/05-06, to follow).

8. Reports from Council Committees

(a) Strategy Committee (C.40/05-06, attached).

(b) *Finance and General Purposes Committee (C.41/05-06 {Part 1}, to follow).

(c) Equality and Diversity Committee (C.42/05-06, attached).

9. Appointment of the Pro-Chancellor and Chair of Council

TO REPORT:

(a) That the term of office of the Pro-Chancellor and Chair of Council would expire on 31 July 2006.

(b) That a proposal for appointment of the University Pro-Chancellor and Chair of Council for the period from 1 August 2006 would be brought forward by the Nominations Committee for consideration at the next meeting of the Council on 5 July 2006.

10. Appointment of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor

TO REPORT:

- (a) That the first term of office of Professor S B Palmer as Deputy Vice-Chancellor will expire on 31 July 2006.
- (b) That, after consultation with the Vice-Chancellor (elect) and in accordance with Statute 7, the Vice-Chancellor proposes to make a recommendation to the Council at its meeting on 15 March 2006 that Professor Palmer be re-appointed to the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor for a further period of two years until 31 July 2008.

11. Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors

TO REPORT:

- (a) That the current period of office of Professor Jones as Pro-Vice-Chancellor will expire on 31 July 2006.
- (b) That Professor Jones is eligible for re-appointment for a third two-year term of office.

TO RECEIVE:

- (a) An oral report from the Chair of the Advisory Committee on the Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors of the procedures adopted by the Committee during the Spring term in accordance with Ordinance 3 governing the appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellors.
- (b) An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor.

12. Appointment of Lay Members of the Council 2006-2009

TO REPORT:

- (a) That the period of office of the following lay members of Council will expire on 31 July 2006:

Mr M Greenlees
Mr T E H Walker

- (b) That nominations for lay members of the Council have been invited from all members of the University.

13. Student Members of the Council

TO REPORT:

That Brian Duggan, a graduate in English and Comparative Literary Studies and current Education Officer and Deputy President in the Union of Students, has been elected President of the Union of Students for the academic year 2006/2007 and that Matthew Dunn, a 1st year student in French and German, has been elected as the second student member of the Council for the academic year 2006/2007.

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 meeting of the Council held on 14 December 2005 (C.43/05-06, attached).

15. University Council Meeting Dates

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the schedule for meetings of the University Council up to Autumn 2007 (C.44/05-06, attached).

16. 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 Council Secretary (ext: 22713) prior to the meeting or by raising the item at the commencement of the meeting.

17. Reports from Council Committees

(a) Finance and General Purposes Committee (C.41/05-06 {Part 2}, to follow).

(b) Safety Committee (C.45/05-06, attached).

18. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

Proposed amendments to University Ordinances (C.46/05-06, attached).

19. 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 19 July 2005 is available for consultation in the registry and will be attached to the minutes in the official minute book (C.47/05-06, paper will not be circulated).

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.