

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Thursday 11 October 2012
at 2.15pm in the Council Chamber, Senate House, 1st floor.

K Sloan
Registrar and
Chief Operating Officer

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 11 July 2012 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

Review of Governing Instruments (minute 159/11-12 refers)

3. Membership of the University Council

TO RECEIVE:

A statement of the membership of the Council for the 2012/13 academic year (C.1/12-13, attached).

TO REPORT:

That the Senate, at its meeting held on 3 October 2012, approved the recommendation of the Nominations Committee that Mr James Kennedy, be appointed as the non-academic member of staff on the University Council for the period through to 31 July 2013 to fill the vacancy arising following the expiry of the term of office of Mr Alan Rivett.

TO CONSIDER:

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.

4. Pro-Chancellor's Business

Conflicts of Interest

TO REPORT:

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.

5. Vice-Chancellor and President's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and President.

6. Registrar and Chief Operating Officer's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer.

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.2/12-13, attached).

(b) The University's Statement of Primary Responsibilities (C.3/12-13, attached).

8. Report from the Senate

TO CONSIDER:

A report on key items of business considered at the meeting of the Senate on 3 October 2012 (C.4/12-13, attached) together with an oral report from the Vice-Chancellor, including the University's Learning and Teaching Strategy.

9. Proposed Transfer of Activity out of the School of Health and Social Studies

TO CONSIDER:

Proposals for the transfer of activity from the School of Health and Social Studies to the Warwick Medical School and the Centre for Lifelong Learning and the subsequent disestablishment of the School as a department within the Faculty of Social Sciences as recommended by the Senate (C.5/12-13, attached).

10. Effectiveness Review of the Council

TO CONSIDER:

A paper providing a summary of progress of the effectiveness review and the working groups established to consider key aspects of the Council (C.6/12-13, attached).

11. Any Other Business

12. Strategic Topic for Discussion: Resilience in Admissions in a Developing Market: the importance of student satisfaction

TO CONSIDER:

A discussion paper from the Academic Registrar and Registrar and Chief Operating Officer outlining key issues and risks in relation to the University's future student recruitment and the interdependencies between admissions policies, student satisfaction survey results, league tables and reputation (C.7/12-13, attached).

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.

13. Reports from Council and Joint Senate and Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

Intellectual Property Committee (C.8/12-13, attached).

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 last meeting of the Council held on 11 July 2012 (C.9/12-13, attached).

15. Membership of Council Committees

TO CONSIDER:

The membership of Council Committees for the 2012/13 academic year (C.10/12-13, attached), noting that further recommendations may be made following the meeting of the Nominations Committee to be held prior to the meeting of the Council.

16. Charity Commission Guidance

TO REPORT:

That the Charity Commission has launched new online guidance for trustees of Charities which is available at:

http://publicbenefit.solutionsclient.co.uk/Charity_requirements_guidance/Charity_essentials/Charitable_purposes/Public_benefit/default.aspx

TO CONSIDER:

A paper outlining the changes to the Summary Guidance for Charity Trustees and the responsibilities of trustees in this regard (C.11/12-13, attached).

17. Register of Members' Interests

TO RECEIVE:

A copy of the Register of Interests of Members of the University Council for the academic year 2012/13 as at 3 October 2012 (C.12/12-13, attached), noting that this will be updated and the latest version periodically posted on the Council members' web page as amendments are submitted by members of the Council.

18. Amendments to University Ordinances

TO CONSIDER:

For the second time, proposed amendments to University Ordinance 7 on the Constitution of the Boards of the Faculties, as recommended by the Senate (C.13/12-13, attached).