

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL

A meeting of the University Council will be held on Friday, 21 November 2014 at 9.15am in the **Council Chamber, Senate House**.

Ken Sloan Registrar and Chief Operating Officer

AGENDA

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 9 October 2014 (attached).

2. Matters Arising on the Minutes

- (i) School of Life Sciences and Warwick Medical School Update (minute 3/14-15 refers)
- (ii) Universities Superannuation Scheme (minute 15/14-15(b) refers)
- (iii) Register of Members' Interests (minute 19/14-15 refers)

3. 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.

4. Pro-Chancellor's Business

(a) Appointment of two Pro-Vice-Chancellors

TO REPORT:

- (i) That following the recommendation of the Appointment of Pro-Vice-Chancellor Committee chaired by the Vice-Chancellor and President and subsequently endorsed by the Senate, members of the Council were invited to consider, by correspondence:
 - A. The appointment of Professor Pam Thomas to the position of Pro-Vice-Chancellor effective from 1 December 2014 for a period of up to 5 years, noting that Professor Thomas would continue in her role as Chair of the Faculty of Science until a successor be appointed.
 - B. The appointment of Professor Mark Taylor to the position of Pro-Vice-Chancellor for a period of up to 5 years, noting that the effective date of the appointment remained to be determined in order to allow for succession arrangements to be put in place for his role as Dean of Warwick Business School; however the effective date would be no later than July 2015.
- (ii) That members of the Council were wholly supportive of the recommendations and subsequently, the Pro-Chancellor had taken Chair's action on behalf of the Council to appoint Professor Pam Thomas and Professor Mark Taylor to the position of Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

5. Vice-Chancellor and President's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Vice-Chancellor and President (C.19/14-15, attached).

6. Registrar and Chief Operating Officer's Business

TO RECEIVE:

An oral report from the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer that includes the following items of business:

- (a) Chancellor's Commission
- (b) Implementation of the University Strategy
- (c) *Procedure for the Appointment of the Successor to the Vice-Chancellor and President (minute 10/14-15 refers)
- (d) Campus Movement Plans (minute 11/14-15 refers)

7. Report from a Meeting of the Assembly

TO CONSIDER:

A report from the meeting of the Assembly held on 28 October 2014 (<u>C.20/14-15</u>, <u>attached</u>).

8. Reports from Council Committees

(a) Part A: Thematic Reports

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) *National Automotive Innovation Centre (C.21/14-15, attached).
- (b) Part B: Reports from Committees

TO CONSIDER:

- (i) *Finance and General Purposes Committee (C.22/14-15 {restricted}, attached), including the draft Statutory Accounts for the year ended 31 July 2014 (C.22/14-15 {restricted} Appendix 1, Part 1 attached and Part 2 online only), together with the financial tables to be returned to the HEFCE as part of the Annual Accountability return (C.22/14-15 {restricted} Appendix 2, online only).
- (ii) *Audit Committee (C.23/14-15 {restricted}, attached), including the Audit Committee Annual Report for 2013/14 and an extract of the Internal Audit Annual Report (C.23/14-15 {restricted} Appendix 2, available online only).
- (iii) University Health and Safety Executive Committee (C.24/14-15, attached).
- (iv) Equality and Diversity Committee (C.25/14-15, attached).
- 9. Annual Assurance Return to the HEFCE (Annex E)

TO CONSIDER:

The draft of the University's Annual Assurance Return to the HEFCE, including in particular the required statement by the Council as trustees that, "in all material aspects, the institution has conducted its affairs during the year in accordance with its status as a charity" (C.26/14-15, attached).

10. University Risk Update - Autumn Term

TO CONSIDER:

A paper on the status of the University's key risks, together with an oral report from the Deputy Registrar (C.27/14-15, attached).

11. Any Other Business

12. <u>Dates of Future Meetings</u>

TO REPORT:

That the future meetings of the Committee for the 2014/15 academic year are as follows:

Wednesday, 11 February 2015, 17:00 - 18:30 in the Senate House Council Chamber Wednesday, 20 May 2015, 09:15 - 14:00 in the Senate House Council Chamber Wednesday, 8 July 2015, 09:15 - 14:00 in the Senate House Council Chamber.

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 'Matters for Consideration by the Council' element of the Agenda for the day by contacting the Registrar and Chief Operating Officer (024 765 23704) or the Director of Governance and Assurance Services (024 765 24984) 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:

(a) Building Committee (<u>C.28/14-15, online only</u>).

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 9 October 2014 (<u>C.29/14-15</u>, online only).

15. Warwick Arts Centre Annual Report 2013/14

TO RECEIVE:

The Warwick Arts Centre Annual Report and Accounts for the 2013/14 financial year (C.30/14-15, attached).

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.

As at 14 November 2014