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**Meeting:** COUNCIL

**Date and Time:** Thursday 30 November 2017 at 4.15pm

**Venue:** 4 West Boardroom

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**Present:** Mr T Sheppard (Chair of Council)

Mr P Wyman (Treasurer and Vice-Chair)	Mrs C Mealing-Jones (Appointed Member)
Professor Dame Glynis Breakwell (Vice-Chancellor)	Mr J Preston (Appointed Member)
Professor B Morley (Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Provost)	Mr S Sharpe (Appointed Member)
Sir Julian Horn-Smith (Pro-Chancellor)	Dr S Wharton (Elected by Academic Assembly)
Mr P Troughton (Pro-Chancellor)	Professor D Bird (Elected by Senate)
Mr R Whorrod (Pro-Chancellor)	Dr A Nightingale (Elected by Senate)
Dr A Salo (Chair of Academic Assembly)	Ms K Robinson (Elected by Senate)
Mrs C Gibbons (Appointed by Convocation)	Dr C Roche (Elected by Non-academic staff)
Mr T Ford (Appointed Member)	Prof D Stanton Fraser (Elected by Senate)
Mrs R Foreman (Appointed Member)	Mr B Davies (Students' Union President)
Prof B Gilbertson (Appointed Member)	Ms C Page (Students' Union Education Officer)
Ms A Goodman (Appointed Member)	
Baroness Ruby McGregor-Smith (Appointed Member)	

Observer:

Mr A McLaughlin - Students' Union Chief Executive

In Attendance:

Professor J Knight	- Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research)
Professor P Lambert	- Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Learning & Teaching)
Professor S Egan	- Vice-President (Implementation)
Professor G Hawley	- Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Design
Professor N Brook	- Dean, Faculty of Science
Professor D Galbreath	- Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences
Professor V Hope Hailey	- Vice-President and Dean and Head of School of Management
Mr R Brooks	- Director of Human Resources
Mr M Humphriss	- University Secretary
Mr T Kaner	- Director of Marketing & Communications
Dr N Kemp	- Director of Policy & Planning
Mr G Maggs	- Director of Development & Alumni Relations
Ms A Pater	- Head of Secretariat
Mr M Whalley	- Director of Estates
Mr M Williams	- Director of Finance

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Mr J Stanion.

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## ACTION

The Chair of Council explained that it had been necessary to move the venue to the Boardroom on the advice of the Head of Security because of the demonstration on campus.

It was planned to have an extra meeting on 16 January 2018 (provisionally) so any items not discussed could be postponed until then.

The Chair reported that a decision had been taken by email on 28 November 2017 regarding approval of the terms of the Vice-Chancellor leaving the University's employment, on the recommendation of Remuneration Committee. 21 of the 25 members of Council had approved the recommendation, and one was against; of the three members who had been unable to reply by the deadline, all had since identified that they supported the proposal.

The University Secretary reported that at Senate on 22 November a motion of no confidence in the Vice-Chancellor had been defeated by 19 votes to 16, with two abstentions.

**6772 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of Council held on 24 October 2017 were APPROVED as a correct record and signed by the Chair (paper C17/18-026).

**6773 MATTERS ARISING**

Minute 6755 – Effectiveness Review

Mrs Foreman gave an update on the appointment of consultants to conduct an independent Effectiveness Review of Council. The panel appointed at the previous meeting had met earlier that day to interview short-listed consultants. The need for full consultation had been emphasised and the consultants had been asked to estimate how long this would take them. An appointment would be confirmed shortly, along with an explanation of the scope of the review. Council NOTED the progress made.

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**6774 NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

*(Note: In accordance with Council Standing Order 23, Mr Preston withdrew from the meeting for the discussion of the following item.)*

Council CONSIDERED the recommendations of the Nominations Committee (tabled paper C17/18-035) and AGREED:

- 1) to appoint Mr John Preston as Treasurer from 1 January 2018 for three years to 31 December 2020;
- 2) to make eight appointments to Court until 31 July 2020, subject to the agreement of the individuals; if members had any concerns about the individuals, they would let the University Secretary know in the next seven days.

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**6775 ORDINANCE 14**

Council CONSIDERED paper C17/18-039 regarding the Ordinances.

Council APPROVED a change to Ordinance 14.11 to read:

'Graduates shall be presented by the Chair of the Board of Studies concerned or, for doctoral graduates, normally by the relevant Dean of the Faculty/School'.

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**6776 FUTURE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR HIGHER EDUCATION: OFFICE FOR STUDENTS CONSULTATION**

Dr Kemp introduced paper C17/18-041 outlining the current consultations and invited comments. Council NOTED the paper.

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**6777 ACADEMIC GOVERNANCE**

The Head of Secretariat introduced paper C17/18-042 setting out the findings of the project by the Leadership Foundation for Higher Education exploring how governing bodies engaged with academic governance. Council NOTED the paper.

**6778 PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE PROCEDURE ANNUAL REPORT**

Council NOTED that no reports had been made under the Public Interest Disclosure procedure in the academic year 2016/17.

**6779 MINUTES OF COUNCIL AND JOINT COUNCIL/SENATE COMMITTEES**

Council RECEIVED the minutes of the following meetings of Council and Joint Council/Senate Committees:

- Finance Committee, 2 November 2017
- Audit Committee, 4 October and 14 November 2017
- Equality & Diversity Committee, 9 November 2017.

**6780 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Council RECEIVED a summary report from Executive Committee meetings in September and October 2017 (papers C17/18-048A and 048B).

**6781 SENATE**

Council RECEIVED the minutes of the meeting of Senate held on 11 October 2017.

**6782 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS 2017/18**

Council NOTED meeting dates for the academic year:

- An additional meeting in January 2018 (16<sup>th</sup>, date and time to be confirmed)
- 22 February 2018
- 24 May 2018
- 19 July 2018

All meetings would start at 4.15pm and be held in the Council Chamber unless otherwise stated.

**6783 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The Chair reminded Council that Peter Wyman was standing down as Treasurer & Vice-Chair from the end of December; he had been a member of Council from 2003-2006 and again since 2009, as well as Treasurer from January 2011. He had kindly agreed to continue for longer in the role to cover the transition between Finance Directors. Despite having been in the significant role of Chairman of the Care Quality Commission he had continued to give the University a huge amount of time and wisdom. The Chair presented Mr Wyman with a certificate and thanked him for all he had done for the University. Mr Wyman also thanked the Chair and the Vice-Chancellor for all the excellent work they had done for the University.

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The meeting concluded at 7.20pm

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