Web update from Senate

The following issues were discussed at the meeting of Senate on 22 April 2020:

Vice-Chancellor's report

The Vice-Chancellor presented his <u>formal report</u> on key issues facing the University. He also thanked everyone involved in the huge amount of work undertaken in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 Business Continuity Responses

Professor Peter Lambert, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Learning & Teaching), gave an update on the changes made in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including moving teaching on-line and changing assessment methods. Changes were approved to the student unit evaluation questions. A response was also agreed regarding doctoral students.

Curriculum Transformation

Professor Lambert gave an update on Curriculum Transformation. Senate approved the principle of revising the academic framework in order to simplify and facilitate the roll-out of curriculum transformation. It also approved a more flexible timescale.

Student Case Monitoring Data

Senate noted the Student Case Monitoring Data for 2018/19.

Institute for Mathematical Innovation

Professor Jonathan Knight, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research), reported on the five-year review of the Institute for Mathematical Innovation (IMI). This would be further discussed by Council.

Boards of Studies

Senate approved dates for meetings of Boards of Studies in 2020/21 and also a minor amendment to their Standing Orders.

Senate Effectiveness Review

Senate agreed to hold a special meeting on 11 May to discuss the Senate Effectiveness Review.

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