



UNIVERSITY COURT

24 October 2016

A meeting of the University Court will be held at 2pm on Monday 24 October 2016 in the Ustinov Room of the Bonar Hall.

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AGENDA

Notes: (1) Matters on which discussion is expected are included in Part A of the Agenda. Part B comprises other matters for report/approval. At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman will give members the opportunity to identify items in Part B on which they would wish to comment or ask questions.

(2) Items indicated as reserved business are to be discussed in closed session by members of Court and appropriate University officers (at the invitation of the Chair).

(3) Members should declare at the beginning of the meeting, or during the meeting if it becomes appropriate to do so, any pecuniary or other material interest they may have in any matter which is to be discussed by the Court. In cases of doubt, further advice may be obtained from the Secretary of the University (tel. 01382 384006).

1. MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting on 8 September 2016 enclosed.

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2. ACTION LOG

The Action Log for Court is enclosed. The current work plan for Court for 2016/17 is Included as an appendix.

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3. MATTERS ARISING

(1) Ordinance 45 (Election of Member of Court by the Non-Teaching Staff)
To consider and, if so minded, ratify the decision taken at the meeting of Court on 8 September 2016, and by the Senatus Academicus on 12 October 2016 to approve changes to Ordinance 45 as set out in the appendix to the minute (Paper A).

4. **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
Report enclosed. C
5. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**
Report enclosed. D
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PART A – MATTERS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

6. **EXTERNAL RELATIONS INVESTMENT UPDATE**
The Director of Marketing and Communications and the Director of Student Recruitment and Admissions will present an update.
7. **UNIVERSITY STRATEGY**
- (1) University Strategy to 2022: Update and Key Themes
Report enclosed. E
- (2) Summary Report on League Table Performance
Paper enclosed from the Director of Strategic Planning on the University's performance in UK league tables and international rankings. Report enclosed. F
- (3) University Strategy to 2017 : Internationalisation Report
Report enclosed. G
8. **GOVERNANCE**
- (1) Higher Education Governance (Scotland) Act
To consider proposals from the Director of Academic & Corporate Governance which have been developed to achieve compliance with the Act. H
9. **COMMITTEES**
- (1) Finance & Policy Committee
Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 3 October 2016 I
including:
- *The Interim letter of Guidance from the Scottish Government to the SFC:* (Appendix 1)
 - *Capital Investment proposal* (Appendix 2)
 - *Growth and savings project updates:* (Appendix 3)
 - *Business Transformation update:* (Appendix 4)
- (2) Governance & Nominations Committee
Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 3 October 2016. J
- (3) Audit Committee
Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 20 September 2016. K
- (4) Human Resources Committee
To note that the meeting was postponed to 31 October 2016.

- (5) Welfare & Ethical Use of Animals Committee
Report enclosed of the Committee's meeting on 29 June 2016. L

10. **COURT RETREAT**

To note that actions from the Retreat had been incorporated into the Court Action Log (Paper B) and were also reflected in the University Strategy to 2022 update (7(1)).
To also note feedback from the 2016 Retreat and consider arrangements for the 2017 Retreat. M

11. **NAMING OF NINEWELLS EDUCATION CENTRE**

The Principal will outline a proposal from the Dean of the School of Medicine and the UEG as approved by the Senatus Academicus on 12 October 2016.

PART B – OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT OR APPROVAL

12. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**

Report enclosed of the meeting of the Senate on 12 October 2016. N

13. **STAFF**

- (1) Grievances, Appeals and Hearings
The University Secretary will, update the Court on any matters relating to Grievances, Appeals and Hearings as necessary and appropriate.

14. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**