SENATE

A meeting of the Senate of the University will be held in room L5.15, Level 5, King’s Gate on Tuesday, 28 June 2016 at 2.00 pm.

Tea and coffee will be available from 1.45 pm

Senate agenda items are presented in the following categories:

1. Preliminary business:
   - Minutes
   - Matters arising
   - Vice-Chancellor’s business
2. Strategic items
3. Monitoring of academic performance
4. Reserved business
5. Other business

There shall be no discussion at Senate on any items in Section 5 of the agenda unless the Vice-Chancellor determines otherwise or unless a member of Senate notifies the Vice-Chancellor or the Registrar at least twenty four hours before the meeting of their wish to have such discussion.

Dr J V Hogan
Registrar

21 June 2016

AGENDA

Any member of Senate who has a pecuniary, family or other personal interest in any matter under discussion at any meeting of Senate shall as soon as practicable disclose that fact to the meeting. The Chair shall determine whether the member shall withdraw from the discussion. A member is not, however, considered to have a pecuniary or personal interest in matters under discussion merely by being a member of staff or a student of the University.
1. Preliminary business

1.1 Minutes

For decision: Senate is asked to approve the Minutes of the meeting of Senate held on 3 May 2016. (Document A)

1.2 Matters arising from the Minutes

1.2.1 Progress of business

For information: There are no outstanding items on the business tracking form.

1.3 Vice-Chancellor’s Business

For information: The Vice-Chancellor’s report is attached as (Document B)

1.4 Summary Report from Council, 23 May 2016

For information: To receive a summary report from the meeting of Council that took place on 23 May 2016. (Document C)

2. Strategic items

2.1 Internationalisation Strategy

For decision: To receive the final version of the Internationalisation Strategy presented for approval by Professor Richard Davies, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Internationalisation and Engagement, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document D)

2.2 Engagement Strategy

For decision: To receive the final version of the Engagement Strategy presented for approval by Professor Richard Davies, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Internationalisation and Engagement, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document E)

2.3 Employability and Enterprise Strategy

For decision: To receive the final version of the Employability and Enterprise Strategy presented for approval by Professor Suzanne Cholerton, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Learning and Teaching, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document F)

2.4 Medical Education at Durham University

For decision: To receive a report on discussions currently underway with Durham University on the implications of the proposed closure of their Stockton campus, presented by the Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document G)

[Document G is classified as ‘strictly confidential’ and is being circulated only to members of Senate. The contents should not be divulged to any person who is not a member of Senate.]

2.5 Governance Review 2015

For decision: To receive a follow-up report on the Governance Review 2015 presented by Dr John Hogan, Registrar, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document H)
2.6 Human Resources Strategy: 2016 Update

For discussion: The Human Resources Strategy: 2016 update presented by Mrs Louise Edwards-Holland, Acting Director of Human Resources, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document J)

2.7 Annual Equality and Diversity Report 2014-15

For information: The Annual Equality and Diversity Report 2014-15 from Mrs Louise Edwards-Holland, Acting Director of Human Resources, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document K)

3. Monitoring of academic performance

3.1 Revisions to Home/EU undergraduate fees for 2017-18

For decision: To receive a report on the proposed revisions to Home/EU undergraduate fees for 2017-18 from Professor Suzanne Cholerton, Pro-Vice-Chancellor Learning and Teaching, on behalf of Executive Board. (Document L)

3.2 Budget Briefing

For information: To receive an oral report on the income flows to the University and how they are allocated from Mr Richard Dale, Executive Director of Finance.

3.3 Reports from University Learning, Teaching and Student Experience Committee

For information: Reports from the meetings of ULTSEC held on 9 May and 1 June 2016. (Document M & N)

3.4 Report from Honorary Degrees Committee

For decision: Senate is asked to approve the recommendations in the attached report from the meeting of Honorary Degrees Committee held on 2 June 2016. (Document O)

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4. Reserved business

4.1 Vice-Chancellorship

For information: An oral update from Dr John Hogan, Registrar, on the process being followed to appoint a new Vice-Chancellor.

Members of Senate are reminded that there will be a joint meeting of Council and Senate at 2pm on Monday 11 July 2016 in room L5.15, Level 5, King’s Gate, to consider the appointment of the next Vice-Chancellor.
5. Other business

5.1 Membership of Senate

5.1.1 Sabbatical Officers 2016-17

For information: The following have been appointed Sabbatical Officers of the Students’ Union for 2016-17 and will be members of Senate for the same period:

- President: Mr Jack Taylor
- Education Officer: Mr Christopher Duddy
- Welfare and Equality Officer: Miss Rachael Kitching

5.1.2 Student Representative on Senate

For information: Mr Patrick Rosichuk has been elected by the Students’ Union as the student representative on Senate for 2016-17.

5.1.3 Senate Election 2016

For information: An election for Professorial members of Senate is underway. Members of Senate will be informed of the outcome of the election by email once the ballot has closed and the votes have been counted. The voting deadline is 12 noon on Friday 1 July 2016.

5.2 Senate appointed Chairs and members of University Committees

For decision: Senate is asked to approve the recommendations in the attached report. (Document P)

5.3 Congregation Ceremonies

5.3.1 December 2016

For information: Congregation ceremonies will be held on 6, 7, and 8 December 2016 in the King’s Hall, Armstrong Building.

5.3.2 July 2017

For information: Congregation ceremonies following the end of the Summer Term 2017 will be held in the King’s Hall, Armstrong Building on:

- Monday 10 July 2017 (all day) (provisional)
- Tuesday 11 July 2017 (all day)
- Wednesday 12 July 2017 (all day)
- Thursday 13 July 2017 (all day)
- Friday 14 July 2017 (all day)
- Monday 17 July 2017 (all day)
- Tuesday 18 July 2017 (all day)
- Wednesday 19 July 2017 (all day)
- Thursday 20 July 2017 (all day)
- Friday 21 July 2017 (all day) (provisional)

5.4 Reported business

For information: A report of action taken in accordance with agreed procedures, approved where necessary by the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of Senate and/or the Chair of Council on behalf of Council, and by other University bodies and Chairs. (Document Q)