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SENATE

A meeting of the Senate of the University will be held in the Keeton Lomas Lecture Theatre, Armstrong Building on Wednesday 30 April 2025 from 2.00-5.00pm.

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.

23 April 2025

Dr C Campbell Registrar

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

<u>For decision</u>: Senate is asked to approve the Minutes of the meeting of Senate held on 19 February 2025. (**Document A**)

1.2. Matters arising from the Minutes

1.3. Vice-Chancellor and President's Business

For information: The Vice-Chancellor and President's report is attached as

(Document B)

1.4. Summary Report from Council, 31 March 2025

<u>For information</u>: To receive a summary report from the meeting of Council that took place on 31 March 2025. (**Document C**)

2. Strategic items

2.1. Education Strategy Update

For discussion: To receive a paper from the Pro-Vice-Chancellor Education.

(Document D -

to follow)

3. Monitoring of academic performance

3.1. Code of Conduct Freedom of Speech

For discussion: To receive a paper from the Registrar.

(Document E)

3.2. Minutes from Committees of Senate

<u>For information</u>: The following meetings of Senate committees have taken place and the minutes from each committee are provided for information. An update from the Committee Chairs will be provided during the meeting.

a) University Education Committee: 13 March 2025
b) University Engagement and Place Committee: 27 January 2025
c) University Research and Innovation Committee: 21 January 2025
(Document H)

3.3. White Space

<u>For discussion</u>: Members of Senate are invited to raise other academic matters for further investigation and consideration. The Chair will propose how such matters should be addressed.

4. Reserved Business

4.1. Academic distinctions – title of Professor Emeritus (Statute 29(4))

<u>For decision</u>: In accordance with Statute 29(4), Senate may accord the title of Professor Emeritus on professors retiring from the University.

Senate is asked to approve the proposal in the attached report from the Vice-Chancellor, following consultation with the Faculty Pro-Vice-Chancellor, for the conferment of the title of Professor Emeritus. (Document J)

[Document J 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.]

5. Other Business

5.1. Senate Elections

For information: To receive an update on Senate elections.

(Document K)

5.2. Senate Meeting Dates

For information: To receive the meeting dates for 2025-26.

(Document L)

5.3. Term and Semester Dates

For information: To receive the term and semester dates for 2025-26.

(Document M)

5.4. Reported Business

<u>For information</u>: 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 N**)