

A meeting of the University Court will be held at 2pm on Tuesday 24 April 2018 in the Ustinov Room of the Bonar Hall.

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- Notes:
- (1) *Strategic matters on which discussion is expected are included in **Part A** of the Agenda. Core business matters on which discussion is expected are included in **Part B**. **Part C** comprises other matters for report/approval. At the beginning of the meeting the Chairman will give members the opportunity to identify items in **Part C** 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).*

Part A – STRATEGIC MATTERS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

1. **STRATEGIC PRESENTATION: VICE-PRINCIPAL (RESEARCH, KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE & WIDER IMPACT)**
Background context for the presentation is enclosed for information. **A**
2. **RESERVED BUSINESS: JOINT EDUCATION INSTITUTE (CHINA)**
Members should note that this item should be considered strictly confidential. The University claims the exemptions in Sections 36(1), 30(b), 30(c) and 33 (1) (b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

The Vice-Principal (International) and Director of the Educational Partnerships Development Unit will present the enclosed paper. **B**

3. **RESERVED BUSINESS: BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION**

Members should note that this item should be considered strictly confidential. The University claims the exemptions in Sections 30(b), 30(c), and 33 (1) (b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

The Director of Business Transformation will present the enclosed paper.

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Part B – CORE BUSINESS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

4. **MINUTES**

- (1) Minute of the meeting of the Court on 20 February 2018

The Court is invited to approve the report.

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- (2) RESERVED BUSINESS: Minute 53(1)(b) of the meeting of the Court on 20 February
Members should note that this item should be considered strictly confidential. The University claims the exemptions in Sections 30 and 33 (1) (b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Minute enclosed for approval.

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5. **MATTERS ARISING**

- (1) Action Log

Enclosed for members' information.

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- (2) Update on the Appointment of a New Principal (Minute 48)

The Chair of Court will update members.

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- (3) Communication from the Senatus Academicus (Minute 55)

The Court is invited to ratify the decision to approve amendments to Ordinance 39(1.1) to include Engineering Doctorate (EngD).

6. **UNIVERSITY STRATEGY TO 2022 IMPLEMENTATION: UPDATE ON UNIVERSITY ACTION PLAN**

Paper enclosed from the Director of Strategic Planning.

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7. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Report enclosed.

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8. **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Report enclosed.

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9. **APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY CHAIR OF COURT**

Members are invited to consider and, if so minded, approve the recommendation from the Governance & Nominations Committee that Bernadette Malone be appointed as the next Deputy Chair of Court, effective from 1 August 2018 for the remainder of her term of office.

10. **COURT MEMBERSHIP**

Members are invited to note the election of Sofia Skevofylaka as the DUSA President effective from 1 July 2018 and Rumana Kapadia as the Independent Student Member on Court, effective from 1 August 2018 for a period of 1 year in the first instance.

Members are also invited to consider and if so minded, to approve the recommendation from the Governance & Nominations Committee that the following are appointed as lay members of the Court for a period of 4 years in the first instance, effective from 1 August 2018:

- Alan Bainbridge
- Lady Lynda Clark of Carlton
- Jay Surti

CVs are available as appendix 1 to the Governance & Nominations Committee minute.

11. **UPDATE ON INDUSTRIAL ACTION**

An overview is provided for members' information.

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12. **COMMITTEES**

(1) Audit Committee

(i) Report of the Committee's meeting on 6 March 2018

The Court is invited to approve the Report.

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(ii) Reserved Business: Minutes 8(1), 9 and 12 of the Meeting on 6 March 2018

Members should note that this item should be considered strictly confidential. The University claims the exemptions in Sections 30 and 33 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Report enclosed for approval.

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(2) People & Organisational Development Committee

(i) The Court is invited to approve the report of the Committee's additional meeting on 26 March 2018, at which the Committee discussed the Staff Survey.

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(ii) Staff Survey presentation slides are enclosed for members' information.

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(3) Finance & Policy Committee

(i) Report of the Committee's meeting on 27 March 2018

The Court is invited to approve the Report.

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(ii) Reserved Business: Minute 9(3) of the Meeting on 27 March 2018

Members should note that this item should be considered strictly confidential. The University claims the exemptions in Sections 30 and 33 (1) (b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

The Court is invited to approve minute 9(3) of the report of the Committee's meeting on 27 March 2018.

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(4) Governance & Nominations Committee

The Court is invited to approve the report of the Committee's meeting on 27 March 2018.

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(5) Remuneration Committee

The Convener will provide a verbal update on the meeting of the Committee on the morning of 24 April 2018.

13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Part C - - OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT OR APPROVAL

14. **ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL TRADING COMPANY**

Paper enclosed from the Interim Director of Finance.

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15. **MINISTERIAL LETTER OF GUIDANCE 2018/19**

Ministerial Letter of Guidance 2018/19 is enclosed for members' information.

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16. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**

Report enclosed of the meeting of the Senate on 21 March 2018.

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17. **OUTCOME AGREEMENT WITH THE SCOTTISH FUNDING COUNCIL**

Final agreement enclosed for approval.

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18. **STAFF COUNCIL**

Report enclosed of the meeting of the Staff Council on 7 March 2018.

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19. **STAFF**

(1) Professorial and Grade 10 Appointments

Paper enclosed.

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(2) Grievances, Appeals and Hearings

The University Secretary will update members as necessary.