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University Court  
Agenda

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17 November 2020

A meeting of the University Court will be held at 2.05 pm on Tuesday 17 November 2020 via TEAMS online conference. It will be preceded by break-out group briefings on the subject of Equality, Diversity & Inclusion from 12.30pm – 1.45pm.

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

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**PART A - PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

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- 1. **MINUTES**
  - (1) Minutes of the meeting of Court on 3 September 2020 are enclosed for approval. **A**
- 2. **MATTERS ARISING**
  - (1) Action Log  
Enclosed for members' information. **B**

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**PART B – STRATEGIC MATTERS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED**

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- 3. **CHAIR'S REPORT TO COURT**  
The Chair will update the Court in relation to his activities at a University and sectoral

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|    | level since the last meeting of the Court.  | C |
| 4. | <b>UNIVERSITY EXECUTIVE GROUP REPORT TO COURT</b><br>Report enclosed.                           | D |
| 5. | <b>REPORT TO COURT FROM THE DUSA PRESIDENT</b><br>Report enclosed.                              | E |
| 6. | <b>2020/21 FINANCIAL UPDATE</b><br>Paper enclosed from the University Executive Group.          | F |
| 7. | <b>ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND STRUCTURE</b><br>Paper enclosed from the University Executive Group. | G |

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***PART C – CORE BUSINESS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED***

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| 8.  | <b>RISK REGISTERS</b><br>(1) <u>Institutional Risk Register</u><br>Register enclosed for discussion and, if so minded, approval.       | H1 |
|     | (2) <u>COVID-19 Risk Register</u><br>Register enclosed for information.  | H2 |
| 9.  | <b>ANNUAL LEAGUE TABLES REPORT</b><br>Report enclosed.   | I  |
| 10. | <b>SFC REPORT ON COHERENT PROVISION AND SUSTAINABILITY</b><br>Summary enclosed for information.  | J  |
| 11. | <b>CONVENER REPORTS</b><br>Reports enclosed from the conveners of Court committees detailing the strategic business of the committees. | K  |
| 12. | <b>REPORT FROM THE CONVENER OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS</b><br>Report from convener of the Senate enclosed.                              | L  |
| 13. | <b>ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/22</b><br>Paper enclosed for approval.   | M  |
| 14. | <b>NARRATIVE FOR SENATE</b><br>To agree the narrative for inclusion in the Court report to the Senate.                                 |    |

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***PART D - OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT AND APPROVAL***

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| 15. | <b>COMMITTEE REPORTS</b><br>(1) <u>Audit &amp; Risk Committee</u> |  |
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|     | (i)  | <u>Minutes of the meeting on 27 October 2020.</u><br>Minutes enclosed for approval.  | N1 |
|     | (ii) | <u><b>Reserved Business:</b> Reserved minute from the meeting on 27 October 2020.</u><br>Minute enclosed for approval.   | N2 |
| (2) |      | <u>Finance &amp; Policy Committee Minutes</u><br>Minutes from the Committee's meeting on 20 October 2020 are enclosed for approval.  | O  |
| (3) |      | <u>Governance &amp; Nominations Committee</u>  |    |
|     | (i)  | <u>Minutes from the meeting on 19 October 2020</u><br>Minutes from the Committee's meeting on 19 October 2020 are enclosed for approval.   | P1 |
|     | (ii) | <u>Schedule of Delegation &amp; Decision-Making</u><br>Proposed revisions to the Schedule, as endorsed by the Governance & Nominations Committee via email on 9 November 2020 are set out For the approval of the Court. | P2 |
| (4) |      | <u>People &amp; Organisational Development Committee</u><br>Minutes from the meeting of the Committee on 29 October 2020 are enclosed for approval.  | Q  |
| (5) |      | <u>Remuneration Committee</u>  |    |
|     | (i)  | <u>Minutes from the meeting on 24 September 2020</u><br>Minutes from the additional meeting of the Committee on 24 September 2020 are enclosed for approval.   | R1 |
|     | (ii) | <u>Remit &amp; Terms of Reference</u><br>Proposed amendments to the Remit & Terms of Reference for the Committee enclosed for approval, as endorsed by the Committee by email on 9 November 2020.                        | R2 |
| (6) |      | <u>Welfare &amp; Ethical Use of Animals Committee</u><br>Paper enclosed for noting.  | S  |
| 16. |      | <b>REPORT FROM THE MEETING OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS</b><br>Report from the meeting of the Senate on 14 October 2020 enclosed.   | T  |
| 17. |      | <b>DRAFT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS</b><br>Draft enclosed. Final Statements will be presented to the meeting of the Court on 23 February 2020.   | U  |
| 18. |      | <b>SENIOR STAFF APPOINTMENTS</b><br>Report enclosed.   | V  |