



University Court
Agenda

23 February 2021

A meeting of the University Court will be held at 2.00 pm on Tuesday 23 February 2021 via TEAMS online conference. It will be preceded by a Court briefing on the subject of the Tay Cities Deal 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).*

PART A - PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- 1. **MINUTES**
 - (1) Minutes of the meeting of Court on 17 November 2021 are enclosed for approval. **A**
- 2. **MATTERS ARISING**
 - (1) Action Log
Enclosed for members' information. **B**
 - (2) Ordinance 63 (minute 29(3)(i))
To ratify the decision taken on 17 November 2020 to approve of changes to Ordinance 63, noting that Senate had, for its part, approved these at its meeting on 2 December 2020.
 - (3) Statute 9(1)(e) (minute 29(3)(i))
To ratify the decision taken on 17 November 2020 to approve proposed amendments to Statute 9(1)(e) in relation to the Lord Provost, noting the approval of the Senate, for its part, at its meeting on 2 December, and further noting that the changes were subject to

the approval of, and any amendments required by, the Privy Council. Members are reminded that the proposed changes would not come into effect until the end of the term of office of the current incumbent.

- (4) Update on Appointment of Vice-Principal (Academic Planning & Performance)
The Principal will provide an update at the meeting.

PART B – STRATEGIC MATTERS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

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| 3. | ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & STRUCTURE
Paper enclosed. | C |
| 4. | CHAIR’S REPORT TO COURT
The Chair will update the Court in relation to his activities at a University and sectoral level since the last meeting of the Court. | D |
| 5. | UNIVERSITY EXECUTIVE GROUP REPORT TO COURT
Report enclosed for members’ information. | E |
| 6. | REPORT TO COURT FROM THE DUSA PRESIDENT
Report enclosed for members’ information. | F |

PART C – CORE BUSINESS ON WHICH DISCUSSION IS EXPECTED

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| 7. | CONVENERS’ REPORTS
Report enclosed for members’ information. | G |
| 8. | SCOTTISH FUNDING COUNCIL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS
Recommendations enclosed for consideration and, if so minded, approval. | H |
| 9. | RESERVED BUSINESS: UODSS
<i>The University asserts that this information is exempt from public disclosure and claims exemptions in S.30(b)(i) of the Freedom of information (Scotland) Act 2002.</i>

Paper enclosed for consideration and approval. | I |
| 10. | FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 JULY 2020
Documents enclosed for approval:
(1) Annual Audit & Risk Committee Report
(2) Letter of Representation
(3) Annual Report 2019/20 Financial Statements | J1
J2
J3 |
| 11. | DRAFT OUTCOME AGREEMENT WITH THE SCOTTISH FUNDING COUNCIL
Draft Agreement enclosed for consideration and approval. | K |
| 12. | GOVERNANCE MATTERS
(1) <u>Membership of the Court</u> | |

- (i) To formally note the resignation of Catherine Cavanagh as a Union Nominated member of the Court, with effect from 20 January 2021;
 - (ii) To note that in accordance with Ordinance 66(4)(6) Marianne Reilly had subsequently been nominated by the Campus Unions to serve as a union nominated member of the Court;
 - (iii) To note that the DUSA elections, including the DUSA President and the Independent Student Member on Court have been delayed.
- (2) Appointment of the Next Deputy Chair of Court
To note the circulation of the job description for the role and the opening of calls for applications on 24 February 2021.
- (3) Election of the Senior Independent Member of Court
To note the circulation of the job description for the role and the opening of calls for applications on 24 February 2021.
13. **REPORT FROM THE CONVENER OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**
Report enclosed for information. L
14. **NARRATIVE FOR THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**
To agree the narrative for inclusion in the Court report to the Senate.

PART D - OTHER MATTERS FOR REPORT AND APPROVAL

15. **REPORT FROM THE MEETINGS OF THE SENATUS ACADEMICUS**
Report enclosed of the meetings of the Senate on 2 December 2020 and 3 February 2021. M1, M2
16. **DUNDEE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION**
Paper enclosed setting out proposed amendments to the DUSA Constitution for approval. N
17. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
- (1) Audit & Risk Committee Minutes
Minutes of the meeting on 25 January 2021 enclosed for approval. O
 - (2) Finance & Policy Committee Minutes
 - (i) Minutes from the meeting on 19 January 2021
Enclosed for approval. P1
 - (ii) Reserved Business: Minute 6 from the meeting on 19 January 2021
The University asserts that this information is exempt from public disclosure and claims exemptions in S.30(b)(i) of the Freedom of information (Scotland) Act 2002.

Minute 6 enclosed for approval. P2
 - (3) Governance & Nominations Committee
Minutes from the meeting on 19 January 2021 enclosed for approval. Q
 - (4) People & Organisational Development Committee
 - (i) Minutes from the meeting on 21 January 2021

	Enclosed for approval.	R1
(ii)	<u>Reserved Business: Minute 6(3) from the meeting on 21 January 2021</u> <i>The University asserts that this information is exempt from public disclosure and claims exemptions in S.30(b)(i) of the Freedom of information (Scotland) Act 2002.</i> Minute 6(3) enclosed for approval.	R2
(5)	<u>Remuneration Committee Minutes</u>	
(i)	<u>Minutes from the meeting on 11 December 2020</u> Minutes enclosed for approval.	S1
(ii)	<u>Minutes from the meeting on 11 December 2020 (Objective Setting/Performance Review for the Principal)</u> Minutes enclosed for approval.	S2
(iii)	<u>Minutes from the meeting on 12 February 2021</u> Minutes enclosed for approval.	S3
(iv)	<u>Annual Report from the Remuneration Committee</u> Annual report enclosed for members' information.	S4
(6)	<u>Reserved Business: Joint Meeting of the Finance & Policy and People & Organisational Development Committee</u> <i>The University asserts that this information is exempt from public disclosure and claims exemptions in S.30(b)(i) of the Freedom of information (Scotland) Act 2002.</i> Minutes of the joint meeting on 10 December 2020 enclosed for approval.	T
(7)	<u>Welfare & Ethical Use of Animals Committee</u> Minutes enclosed for approval.	U
18.	RESEARCH GOVERNANCE ANNUAL REPORT Report enclosed for information and noting.	V
19.	STAFF COUNCIL MINUTES Minutes enclosed for information.	W
20.	STAFF MATTERS	
(i)	<u>Senior Staff Appointments Report</u> Enclosed for information.	X