MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Thursday 2 December 2021, 10:00am in the Fleet Room at Downing College

Present:

Professor Richard Mortier (Chair), Mr Graham Allen (Secretary), Mrs Rachel Rowe (Support Officer), Mr Gavin Flynn, Dr Gilly Carr, Dr Mark Smith, Dr Rob Doubleday, Dr Orsola Rath Spivack, Ms Jocelyn Wyburd, Dr Mark Purcell and Dr David Butterfield.

The meeting began at 10:04am.

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Dr Seb Falk and Dr John Fawcett.

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Minutes of the handover meeting held on 28 October 2021:

The minutes were confirmed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising:

a.) Discussion of the Board's 26th Annual Report:

The Board was updated on the Discussion that took place on 26 October, and the statements and questions received.

5. Meeting with the Registrary, 3 February 2022

The Board discussed potential lines of enquiry in advance of the meeting with the Registrary on 3 February. The Secretary agreed to formulate the notes into a set of questions which will be emailed to the Registrary by mid-January.

6. Work Plan 2021-22:

The Board received updates from each of the Working Groups regarding areas of investigation for the coming year, except the Finance Group. The Board were reminded that any meetings of the Working Groups with University Officers should ideally have taken place by mid-Easter term to allow time to compile the Annual Report.

7. Any Other Business:

None.

8. Date of next full Board meeting:

Thursday 3 February, 12-2pm (at Downing with lunch) – with the Registrary

9 Dates of future meetings with Senior Officers:

Thursday 3 March, 12-2pm (at Downing with lunch) – with the VC

Tuesday 22 March, 12-2pm (at Downing with lunch) – with the PVC (Strategy & Planning) Thursday 28 April, 12-2pm (at Downing, with lunch) Tuesday 24 May, 12-1pm (via Zoom) Monday 27 June, 10-11:30am (at Downing)

The meeting closed at 11:37am.

Rachel Rowe Support Officer