

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Wednesday 1 March 2017, 10:45am

Peter Richards Room, Hughes Hall

Present: Ms Saba Alai (SA), Mrs Gwyneth Barton (GBa) (Support Officer), Dr Gemma Burgess (GBu), Mr Gordon Chesterman (GC), Dr Lydia Drumright (LD) (Chair), Dr Simon Frost (SF), Mr David Goode (DG), Dr Stephen Kell (SK), Dr Carmel McEniery (CMcE), Mr Tim Milner (TM), Dr Liz Morfoot (LM) and Mr Ian Wright (IW).

1. Apologies:

An apology for absence was received from Dr Cristiano Ristuccia (CR).

2. Declarations of Interest:

None.

3. Minutes of Meeting held on 15 February 2017:

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 February 2017 were confirmed as a correct record.

4. Matters Arising:

Meeting with Ms Emma Rampton, Acting Registrar, on 10 March 2017

The Board discussed arrangements for the meeting with Ms Emma Rampton, Acting Registrar, on 10 March 2017 and possible topics to be covered.

5. Guest – Professor Duncan Maskell, Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Planning and Resources:

The Board welcomed Professor Duncan Maskell, Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Planning and Resources. The following items were discussed:

- i) Arrangements for the transition to the new Vice-Chancellor in October 2017
- ii) The new Elsevier contract negotiated by Jisc on behalf of the University, the decision-making and governance processes followed and any implications for the future
- iii) University governance and the forthcoming governance review
- iv) The management of short-term deficits on the Chest and plans for the medium to long term
- v) Schools' reserves
- vi) The Capital Fund's contributions to planned capital projects and other sources of funding for these
- vii) Funding and development of the shared facility hubs proposed in the Estates Strategy
- viii) Whether the University's rates of pay and pension provision were a barrier to high quality recruitment.

6. Any Other Business:

Preparation of the Board of Scrutiny's Annual Report

Board members discussed the process and timing for the preparation of the Board of Scrutiny's Annual Report and possible topics to be covered.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

Friday 10 March 2017, 12.30pm

Guest: Emma Rampton, Acting Registry

Venue: Peter Richards Room, Hughes Hall

The meeting closed at 1.55pm.

**Gwyneth Barton
Support Officer**