

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SCRUTINY

MINUTES

Wednesday 16 January 2019, 12:15pm

Henry Cavendish Room, Peterhouse

Present:

Mr David Goode (Chair), Dr Karen Ottewell (Secretary), Mrs Rachel Rowe (Support Officer), Mr Graham Allen, Dr Richard Mortier, Mr Ian Wright, Dr Timothy Dickens, Mr Francis Knights, Dr John Xuereb, Dr Gemma Burgess, Professor Martin Jones, and Ms Edna Murphy.

The meeting began at 12:17pm.

1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from Dr Carmel McEniery.

2. Declarations of interest:

None.

3. Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record.

4. Matters arising:

None.

5. Progress reports from working groups:

The Education and Governance working groups gave brief reports on their recent meetings with University officers.

6. Any other business:

None.

7. Dates of future meetings:

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 6 February at 12:15pm at Peterhouse.

8. Guest – Professor Stephen Toope, Vice-Chancellor:

The Board welcomed the Vice-Chancellor to the meeting, and the following topics were discussed:

- i.) Key priorities for action in the short term;
- ii.) Capital projects;
- iii.) Analysis of staff pay;
- iv.) Financial planning systems, and forward planning;
- v.) The recent development in the Investment Office;
- vi.) Transparency with investments;

- vii.) Streamlining University structures;
- viii.) Risks regarding Brexit;
- ix.) Performance monitoring across the University.

The meeting closed at 2:07pm.

Rachel Rowe
Support Officer