

# The Statutes

## 1. The Council

1. The Council shall consist of the following persons, namely:

### (a) EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

The Pro-Chancellors, the Vice-Chancellor, the senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor, and the Treasurer.

### (b) APPOINTED MEMBERS

Two Deans appointed by Council in accordance with the Ordinances on the recommendation of Nominations Committee.

### (c) ELECTED MEMBERS:

Five Academic Staff members of the Senate elected by the Senate subject to and in accordance with the Ordinances.

One non-academic staff member elected by the non-academic staff subject to and in accordance with the Ordinances

### (d) EXTERNAL MEMBERS:

Such other persons, not being members of University Staff and not exceeding ten in all, as may be appointed by the Council.

### (e) STUDENT MEMBERS:

The President of the Students' Union.

2. The Council shall appoint from among its members a Chair who shall be a Pro-Chancellor. The Chair shall hold office for three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment, normally for a further period of three years and a maximum total of nine years.

3.

(a) Ex officio Members of the Council shall remain members only so long as they hold the offices by virtue of which they became members.

(b) Senate elected Members of the Council shall remain members only so long as they are members of the Senate. They shall hold office until the end of the third year following their appointment or such earlier date as may in each case be determined by the Senate to effect rotation.

(c) The non-academic staff member elected to the Council shall remain a member only so long as he or she is employed as a non-academic staff member of the University. He or she shall hold office until the end of the third year following his or her appointment or until such earlier date as may in each case be determined by the Council.

(d) External Members of the Council shall hold office until the end of the third year following their appointment or until such earlier date as may in each case be determined by the Council. External Members shall be eligible for further appointment, normally for a further period of three years and a maximum total of nine years.

(e) An Elected member of the Council upon completion of his or her term of membership under paragraphs 3(b) and 3(c) above shall be eligible for re-election for a further term not exceeding three years, and shall upon completion of any such further term of membership or upon resignation, not be eligible to be a Member of the Council by re-election until one year has elapsed from the date of the completion of his or her term of membership or his or her resignation (as the case may be).

(f) A member of the Council may resign at any time by writing addressed to the Council.

4.

(a) The quorum for meetings of the Council shall be not less than half of the members, rounded up to a whole number, which shall include a majority of External Members.

(b) In the absence of a quorum no business shall be transacted other than the adjournment of the meeting. In such a case, the Chair shall appoint a date, time and place at which the meeting shall be reconvened. At least three days notice of the calling of the adjourned meeting shall be given.

## 2. Committees of the Council

1. There shall be Committees of the Council with responsibility for audit, remuneration and nominations.

2. The Council may from time to time establish additional standing, special and advisory Committees, Sub-Committees or Boards.

3. The constitution and responsibilities of Committees of the Council shall be as prescribed by the Council.

### **3. The Auditors**

1. The Council shall appoint an Auditor or Auditors. Every such Auditor shall be a member of a recognised supervisory body (as defined in Part II of the Companies Act 1989) who is eligible for the appointment under the rules of that body. No person shall be appointed Auditor who is or any one of whose partners is a member of the Council or Staff of the University.
2. The Auditor or Auditors shall hold office for such period and shall receive such remuneration as may be determined by the Council.
3. The Auditor or Auditors shall have a right of access at all reasonable times to the books, records, accounts and vouchers of the University and shall be entitled to require from the University such information and explanations as may be necessary for the performance of his/her or their duties.
4. If the office of Auditor or Auditors shall become vacant by his/her or their death or resignation or any other cause before the expiration of his/her or their period of office the Council shall forthwith appoint an Auditor or Auditors in his/her or their place for the remainder of such period.
5. An Auditor may resign by writing addressed to the Council.
6. The Auditor or Auditors shall make a report to the Council as to the accuracy of the Annual Accounts and the financial management of the University at least once in each year.

### **4. Interpretation of Statutes**

These Statutes shall be interpreted so as not to conflict with the Charter.

