



## Council

Friday 9 September 2022, 2:00pm

South Wing Council Room, with facilities to join online via Teams

### Minutes

#### Present Members:

Mr Victor Chu CBE (Chair); Mr Dominic Blakemore; Professor Jon Butterworth; Mr Phil Clark; Dr Martin Fry; Ms Tania Holt; Ms Lindsay Nicholson MBE; Mr Turlogh O'Brien CBE; Ms Christine Ohuruogu MBE; Professor Helen Roberts; Professor Ralf Schoepfer; Lord Sharkey; Dr Michael Spence; Ms Sarah Whitney.

#### Attendees:

For Minutes 164 – 175: Ms Charu Gorasia, Chief Financial Officer  
For Minutes 164 – 175: Dr Clare Goudy, Chief of Staff, President & Provost's Office  
For Minutes 164 – 175: Ms Natasha Lewis, General Counsel  
For Minutes 164 – 175: Ms Fiona Ryland, Vice-President (Operations)  
For Minutes 164 – 175: Professor Anthony Smith, Vice-Provost (Faculties)

#### Apologies:

Mr Hamza Ahmed; Mr Deniz Akinci; Professor Stephanie Bird; Dr Alun Coker; Ms Tina Harris; Dr Justin Turner KC.

#### Officers:

Ms Anne Marie O'Mullane, Interim Secretary to Council  
Ms Olivia Whiteley, Governance Officer

## Part I: Preliminary Business

### 164. Minute's Silence

164.1. The Chair of Council invited Council members to be upstanding and observe a minute's silence to mark the death of Her Majesty The Queen.

### 165. Operation of the Meeting

165.1. While this was an in-person meeting, there were some members of Council participating by video conference, using tools that enable all members to see and hear each other simultaneously. The Chair reported that decisions would be ratified by Chair's Action after the meeting.

**166. Declaration of Interests**

166.1. The Chair of Council invited members to declare any new interests they may have or any interests they had in the items being considered at the meeting. Each member present confirmed that they had no interest in any way in the matters to be considered at the meeting.

**167. Minutes of the last meeting (10-01)**

167.1. Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on 7 July 2022 and the Special Meeting held on 3 August 2022.

**168. Matters Arising**

168.1. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**Part II: Strategic Items for Discussion**

**169. Confidential: Provost's Report to Council (10-02)**

169.1. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

169.2. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

169.3. In response to a question about the covid-related mitigations that had been put in place over the summer and the support in place for disabled and neurodivergent staff, the Vice-President (Operations) advised that an awareness campaign continued to run encouraging those who were symptomatic not to come onto campus. There was also a rolling programme of improving ventilation in line with general maintenance. Levels of Covid would continue to be monitored and UCL would continue to avail of academic expertise. The Director of Estates Operations was in frequent contact with ENABLE@UCL staff network to ensure that UCL met the needs of all the community.

169.4. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**170. Committee Positions of Vice-Chair – Proposed Change to the Regulations For Management (10-03)**

170.1. Council approved the proposed changes to the Regulations as set out in Appendix 1 (the removal of the Vice-Chair as an ex officio member of Finance Committee).

170.2. Council approved the re-appointment of Mr Dominic Blakemore as Chair of Audit Committee for the remainder of his term recommended by Nominations Committee on 16 December 2016 (Minute 2.8, 16 December 2016).

**171. Confidential: Recommendation for the Appointment of Interim Vice-President (Operations) (10-04)**

171.1. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

171.2. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

171.3. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**172. Confidential: Recommendation for the Appointment of Dean of Faculty of Laws and Dean of Faculty of Social and Historical Sciences (10-05)**

172.1. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

172.2. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

172.3. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**173. Special Resolution to Amend the Statutes – to allow for attendance at meetings virtually and to agree resolutions in writing (10-06)**

173.1. This item was deferred until the next meeting as there were insufficient numbers in person to consider the item. The item would be considered on 21 October 2022.

**Part III: Other Business for Approval or Information**

**174. To Receive the Following Reports:**

**Confidential: Chair's Action Report (10-07)**

174.1. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

174.2. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

174.3. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**Confidential: Litigation Summary (10-08)**

174.4. Exempt from publication, please see confidential minutes.

**175. Date of the Next Meeting**

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175.1. The next Council meeting would take place on Friday 21 October 2022.

Anne Marie O'Mullane, Interim Secretary to Council  
September 2022