



MINUTES

Of a meeting of the College Council in the New SCR at 1:10 pm on Tuesday 30 October 2018

There were present: The Master, the Vice-Master, the Bursar, the Senior Tutor, Mr Matheson, Professor Cant, the Revd Canon Shilson-Thomas, Dr Rana, Ms MacDonald, Dr Beauregard and Mr Nicholson. The MCR President and the JCR President were present for the Unreserved Business. The JCR Treasurer was present for items cc2018.242 to cc2018.254, inclusive. Dr Smith was in attendance as Secretary. Dr Sage was in attendance for item cc2018.246i.

UNRESERVED BUSINESS

cc2018.242 Starred Items

It was agreed that starred items should not be discussed.

cc2018.243 Statement of Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest arising from the Unreserved Agenda concerning any of those persons present.

cc2018.244 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Ellis and the MCR Treasurer.

cc2018.245 Minutes of the Unreserved Council Meeting held on 9 October 2018

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

cc2018.246 Matters arising

i. cc2018.31 May Ball, 2019

Dr Sage reported that recruitment of a May Ball Committee was now complete, with Sam Wisbey as President. Drs Sage, Thompson and Elliott would continue as senior members, and a further member from the Fellowship was being sought. Council welcomed the presence of MCR members on the Committee, including one as Vice-President, and also hoped that the Operations Manager would be actively involved in all stages of planning as well as during the event itself. Council confirmed the date for the May Ball as Saturday 22 June 2019.

- ii. *cc2018.228 Memorial arrangements for Professor Wallace*
Council agreed that the memorial event for Professor Wallace would take place on Tuesday 19 March 2019. The programme would include Tea from 4.30 to 5.30 pm, followed by Choral Evensong at 6.00 pm. These events would be open to all, and there would then be a private dinner for Fellows and their guests, and for Professor Wallace's family, after Evensong.

cc2018.247 Phase III and Old Library
Council received and noted the report from the Auditorium Committee, which met on 22 October (**CP2018/120**). Council noted that the seating capacity of the Auditorium was expected to be between 135 and 150.

cc2018.248 USS Consultation
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Special Advisory Panel on USS Matters held on 25 October 2018 (**CP2018/121**).

cc2018.249 Development Committee
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Development Committee held on 12 October 2018 (**CP2018/122**).

cc2018.250 Investment Committee
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Investment Committee held on 25 October 2018 (**CP2018/123**), and approved the Annual Report 2018 (**CP2018/124**). Council noted that the early signs were that the College's new and more diverse investment portfolio was performing encouragingly well.

cc2018.251 Report on Non-Financial Matters
Council noted the Report on Non-Financial Matters for the year 2017-18 (**CP2018/125**). Council welcomed the fact that there had been a significant drop in accidents and evacuations over the past year, and noted that the Maintenance Department had received 950 requests during September and October 2018.

cc2018.252 Accounts for the Year Ending 30 June 2018
The Bursar introduced the College Accounts for the year 2017-18 (**CP2018/126a-d**), which showed an increase in the underlying deficit to £475,000. Council noted the need to address the Catering deficit and to increase the spending by members in Hall and in the Bar. It was hoped that the new Servery, with its longer opening hours, together with the building of the Auditorium and the refurbishment of the Bar, would help to increase income. Council recommended the College Accounts to Governing Body for approval.

cc2018.253 Allocations to JCR, MCR and College Sports Clubs and Societies
Council approved the allocations for 2018-19 (**CP2018/127**). It was agreed that the MCR and JCR Committees would discuss the position of those fourth-year undergraduates who joined the MCR, and bring a proposal to



Council. The Bursar noted that subscriptions to certain CUSU services formerly paid by the JCR but now paid for by the College would be recharged to the JCR.

- cc2018.254 Student Support Initiative*
The Master reported that the Student Support Initiative, as announced by the Vice-Chancellor on 1 October 2018 and outlined in **CP2018/128** and **CP2018/128a**, was still very much work in progress. Council welcomed aspects of the initiative, including the attention given to widening participation in terms of funding for postgraduate students, but also noted the importance of ensuring the affordability of the proposals and of asserting a clear College voice as they were developed.
- cc2018.255 Accommodation Committee*
Council received and noted the unreserved minutes of a meeting of the Accommodation Committee held on 17 October 2018 (**CP2018/129**). Council recorded its thanks to the Accommodation Officer, Gemma Driver, and to the Fellow for Rooms, Dr Moultrie, for their excellent work in this area. Council approved the retention of the existing policy with regard to accommodation for fourth-year Engineering students.
- cc2018.256 Access Committee*
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Access Committee held on 23 October 2018 (**CP2018/130**). Council agreed that it did not represent good use of resources to retain Scotland as one of the College's target areas, and that it made more sense for the Cambridge Admissions Office to take this over, thereby allowing Selwyn to concentrate on its initiatives for widening participation in Yorkshire and Berkshire. Council agreed that the process for expediting this matter would be raised with the Director of Admissions for the Colleges.
- cc2018.257 Directors of Studies Committee*
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Directors of Studies Committee held on 15 October 2018 (**CP2018/131**).
- cc2018.258 Students Complaints Procedure*
Council agreed to defer this item to the next meeting of Council.
- cc2018.259 Burial of Lady Cook's ashes*
Council gave permission for the Dean of Chapel to bury Lady Cook's ashes beside those of Sir Alan Cook under the flat tablet behind the Chapel, on Thursday 15 November 2018. Council noted that this was in fulfilment of an earlier decision and would set no precedent.
- cc2018.260 Curator of Paintings*
Council agreed to move this item into Reserved Business as item cc2018.272i.



cc2018.261

MCR Christmas Dinner

Council noted that the MCR Christmas Dinner on Saturday 1 December 2018 would have a Harry Potter theme. Council gave permission for small banners to be hung from the Hall gallery, for custom table runners, and for the hanging of LED candles. Council noted that the MCR Committee was working with the Executive Head Chef and the Operations Manager to ensure full risk assessment and complete clearing up ready for the College Carol Service the following day. Council also gave permission for the Cambridge University Brass Band to perform for one hour during the drinks reception in the New SCR before the dinner, and for the projector and screen in the Diamond to be used for the Bop afterwards (CP2018/133).

cc2018.262

Any Other Unreserved Business

i. Mr Kim

The Master reported that it was hoped to admit Mr Kim to his Fellowship on the evening of Wednesday 7 November, just before the Admission of Scholars.

