



MINUTES
of a meeting of the College Council in the New SCR
at 3:00 pm on Tuesday 9 July 2019

There were present: The Master, the Vice-Master, the Bursar, the Senior Tutor, Dr Beauregard, Professor Cant, Professor Ellis, Ms MacDonald, Mr Matheson, Dr Meer, Mr Nicholson, and the Revd Canon Shilson-Thomas. The MCR President was present for the Unreserved Business. Dr Smith was in attendance as Secretary. Mr Hurcomb was in attendance for items cc2019.172 and cc2019.180.

UNRESERVED BUSINESS

cc2019.167 *Starred Items*

It was agreed that starred items should not be discussed.

cc2019.168 * *Statement of Conflicts of Interest*

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

cc2019.169 *Apologies for Absence*

Apologies were received from the JCR President, the JCR Treasurer, and the MCR Treasurer.

cc2019.170 *Minutes of the Unreserved Council Meeting held on 11 June 2019*

The Minutes were agreed and signed.

cc2019.171 *Matters arising*

There were no matters arising.

cc2019.172 *College wayfinding*

Council received a presentation from Mr Nick Hawksworth of Wayfinding Consultants Ltd regarding ways of improving wayfinding through the College, signage for the new Auditorium, and the possibility of merging the College map and plan into a single image. Council noted the importance of sensitivity to some of the iconic vistas within the College and agreed to pursue the matter further.

- cc2019.173 *Phase III and Old Library*
The Bursar reported that piling was now complete, and that cranes were due to arrive on the site on 22 July 2019, after which digging would begin. Council discussed the College crest and carving options set out in **CP2019/75**, and agreed that the College crest on the Auditorium tower should be carved and painted, with 'Selwyn College' in gilded lettering. Council approved the style of the naming of the Quarry Whitehouse Auditorium and the Bartlam Library, subject to a further review of font size and spacing.
- cc2019.174 *Risk Register*
Council noted that there had been no changes to the headline risks in CP2019/35. Council would continue to monitor the Brexit situation as 31 October approached, and would review this item again at its September meeting.
- cc2019.175 *Gardens Committee*
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the Gardens Committee held on 21 June 2019 (**CP2019/76**).
- cc2019.176 *IT Committee*
Council received and noted the minutes of a meeting of the IT Committee held on 14 June 2019, and noted the Terms of Reference (**CP2019/77**).
- cc2019.177 *Accommodation Committee*
Council received and noted the unreserved minutes of a meeting of the Accommodation Committee held on 12 June 2019 (**CP2019/78**).
- cc2019.178 *High Table regulations*
Council approved the amendment to the regulations (**CP2019/79**).
- cc2019.179 *Bank Mandate*
Council approved a new bank mandate (**CP2019/80**).
- cc2019.180 *Hall chairs*
This item was taken immediately after item cc2019.172. The Bursar and the Operations Manager introduced **CP2019/81**. Council agreed in principle to the purchase of 160 new chairs for Hall at a cost of up to £200 each, to be written off over 15 years. The chairs would be made by Treske in solid oak, and would have an expected life of about 25 years. Council's approval was subject to detailed costings to be presented to the Bursar by the Operations Manager for report to Council.
- cc2019.181 *Disciplinary process*
The Vice-Master and the Senior Tutor reported that the University ballot on disciplinary procedures had taken place. Council agreed in principle to follow the Christ's College template, noting that this avoided aligning with something that might not be workable at College level while also not



depriving students of recourse to University procedures. Council agreed to return to this matter at its September meeting.

cc2019.182 Future of May Ball and Snow Ball

The Master reported that the future of the Selwyn May Ball was currently uncertain following the decisions of Dr Sage and Dr Thompson not to serve as senior officers for future May Balls. Council noted the distinctiveness of the Selwyn Snow Ball, and discussed the possibility of its being moved to the Saturday evening at the end of Michaelmas Full Term. The danger that two Balls a year might have a negative impact on student welfare and academic performance was noted.

Council noted that it had not yet seen plans for any 2019 Snow Ball. It had previously been decided (cc2017.214) that a preliminary report should be received in May and a full plan in July each year. Council had thus not yet given permission for a 2019 Snow Ball, and plans for it would need to be submitted to the Council meeting in September. [Post-meeting note: In future years the preliminary report and full plans should be standing items on the appropriate Council meetings' agendas and the JCR should be asked to ensure that handover notes prominently remind new committees of this timetable.]

cc2019.183 Choir dates 2019-20

Council approved the programme of Choir dates for 2019-20 set out in **CP2019/82**.

cc2019.184 Wedding in Chapel

Council noted that the Dean of Chapel had given permission for the wedding of Daniel Andrews (SE 2016) and Alice Sarah Bedwell (SE 2016) to take place in the Chapel on Saturday 1 August 2020. Council noted that three Saturdays per year had been set aside over the next three years when Catering in College for weddings would be available, and that these days were already all booked up.

cc2019.185 Wedding in College

Council gave permission for Mr Kitov's wedding to be held in College on Monday 9 September 2019, with around twenty guests. A ceremony at 15.00 in the Old SCR would be followed there at 16.00-18.00 by drinks and nibbles (or in the Fellows' Garden if fine).

cc2019.186 Any Other Unreserved Business

i. Bursarship

The Master reported that the final interviews of three candidates had taken place earlier in the day, and that an offer had been made and accepted, subject to references.

