

## KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held  
on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at 2.00pm in the Audit Room

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| Present: | Provost           | In Attendance: | Vice-Provost         |
|          | Professor Dunn    |                | Senior Tutor         |
|          | Professor Hall    |                | First Bursar         |
|          | Dr Adhikari       |                | Registrar            |
|          | Dr Good           |                | Dr Gillian Tett (via |
|          | Dr Dolan          |                | Zoom)                |
|          | Ms Olumide-Wahab* |                |                      |
|          | (via Zoom)        |                |                      |

\*Open Business

### Apologies for Absence

The Domus Bursar, Professor Griffiths, Professor Sharman, Dr Taylor and Mr Erwig apologised for their absence. Professors Giannitsariou and Candea were on leave.

### OPEN BUSINESS

#### 311 **Declarations of Interest**

*None.*

#### 312 **Minutes of Open Business 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

*Approved.*

#### 313 **Matters arising**

*None.*

#### 314 **Council Timetable – Open Matters**

In agenda, with one paper expected during the Vacation Term. Outstanding papers are as follows:

- Budget for Concerts Report (Director of Music) – will be provided for Council's meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> July;
- Review of Policies (Registrar) – to be provided after the summer following review by Registrar;
- Qualification as a Charity Trustee (First Bursar) – the First Bursar noted that a paper on this would need to be brought to the next meeting.

Council discussed the Jeffrey Wilkinson Fund Report. Council decided that, given that the purpose of the Fund had changed since its inception, the report

was no longer necessary and that it could be removed from the timetable of routine open business.

The Senior Tutor responded to Council's queries regarding her report on Exam Results (which, per Council's timetable, was due for this meeting). The Senior Tutor informed Council that she was not able to report on Exam Results at this time. This is because, as a result of a marking and assessment boycott being driven by the University and College Union, the great majority of students do not have finalised results. She directed Council towards her paper on Scholarships and Prizes, which provides further background on the matter.

The Senior Tutor suggested she may be able to deliver a partial paper on third-year results in Michaelmas 2023, but it may be that she would not be able to report until early 2024.

### **315 Scholarships and Prizes**

Council referred to the Senior Tutor's paper on Scholarships and Prizes, the substance of which it had already considered.

The Senior Tutor confirmed that she will propose a date for Scholars' Dinner once results are received, and that this would most likely to occur in Lent 2024.

Council agreed to authorise the Senior Tutor to delay both of the following reports until Lent 2024:

- a) Exam Results
- b) Scholarships and Prizes

### **316 Council Action List – Open Matters**

Papers anticipated are up to date, with a number to follow during the remaining meeting of Vacation Term (Presentation of revised Folk Concert Proposals, and the E-Lab Progress Report).

### **317 Oral reports**

*None.*

### **Principal Items of Business**

*None.*

### **Other Items for Discussion**

*None.*

## **Business for Report**

### **318    Postal Services**

Council agreed to the leasing of a franking machine, to be located in the Porters' Lodge.

### **319    Open Cambridge**

Council agreed to allow access for the public into the Library building on September 8th, 2023 for Open Cambridge, for the purpose of viewing an exhibition in the Library and Archives.

### **320    Updates to Social Media Policy**

A paper was received from the First Bursar detailing updates to the Social Media Policy.

Council asked whether this Policy applied to students and staff, or staff only. The Registrar clarified that the policy is separate to the students' Social Media Guidelines and that it only applies to staff.

Council commented that the introduction to the policy was not particularly engaging, which may undermine its effectiveness.

The First Bursar noted that legislation had come into effect that placed the College under an obligation to protect the free speech rights of both academic and non-academic staff. He explained to Council that the substantive provisions of this legislation were not yet in force but that, when that time came, Council may need to review the Policy to ensure compliance.

The Council approved the policy subject to a revision to the introduction, which the Registrar undertook to implement.

## **Any Other Business**

**321** *None.*