

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At an Ordinary Congregation
held on Monday, 4th May 2020
at 6.00 pm via Zoom

Present

Professor Michael Proctor
Dr Zoe Adams
Dr Ronojoy Adhikari
Dr Tess Adkins
Dr Mark Ainslie
Dr Anna Alexandrova
Professor John Arnold
Dr Nick Atkins
Professor Gareth Austin
Professor William Baker
Dr John Barber
Professor Mike Bate
Dr Alice Blackhurst
Dr Mirjana Bozic
Dr Jude Browne
Professor Nick Bullock
Dr Keith Carne
Revd Dr Stephen Cherry
Dr Maurice Chiodo
Dr Francesco Colucci
Dr Sarah Crisp
Dr Laura Davies
Professor Anne Davis
Dr James Dolan
Professor John Dunn
Professor George Efstathiou
Dr Sebastian Eves van Den Akker
Dr Elisa Faraglia
Professor Iain Fenlon
Dr John Filling
Dr Tim Flack
Dr Freddy Foks
Professor Robert Foley
Dr Dejan Gajic
Professor Matthew Gandy

Dr Ingo Gildenhard
Professor Chris Gilligan
Professor Simon Goldhill
Dr David Good
Dr Tim Griffin
Professor Gillian Griffiths
Professor Mark Gross
Dr Henning Grosse Ruse Khan
Dr Aline Guillermet
Dr Cesare Hall
Professor Ross Harrison
Dr Ryan Heuser
Ms Lorraine Headen
Professor John Henderson
Dr Felipe Hernandez
Dr David Hillman
Professor Carrie Humphrey
Professor Herbert Huppert
Mr Daniel Hyde
Professor Martin Hyland
Mr Philip Isaac
Professor Mark Johnson
Mr Peter Jones
Professor Richard Jozsa
Professor Barry Keverne
Dr Joanna Kusiak
Professor James Laidlaw
Professor Richard Lambert
Professor Sarah Lummis
Professor Alan Macfarlane
Dr Marwa Mahmoud
Dr Cicely Marshall
Professor Nicholas Marston
Professor Jean Michel Massing
Professor Cam Middleton

Dr Perveez Mody
Professor Geoff Moggridge
Dr Kamiar Mohaddes
Dr Ken Moody
Dr Basim Musallam
Dr Julienne Obadia
Dr Rory O'Bryen
Dr Rosanna Omitowoju
Professor Robin Osborne
Dr Tejas Parasher
Dr John Perry
Dr Adriana Pesci
Professor Chris Prendergast
Dr Surabhi Ranganathan
Professor Paul Ryan
Professor Jason Sharman
Dr Mark Smith
Dr Mike Sonenscher
Dr Sharath Srinivasan
Dr James Taylor
Mr James Trevithick
Dr Bert Vaux
Dr Rob Wallach
Dr Darin Weinberg
Dr Godela Weiss-Sussex
Dr Tom White
Professor Nicolette Zeeman

Junior Members

Ms Nouri
Mr Crayton
Ms Adeoyo
Mr Everett

Apologies

Dr Sebastian Ahnert
Dr Amanda Barber
Professor Richard Bourke
Dr Angela Breitenbach
Dr Matei Candea
Mr Richard Causton
Mr Nick Cavalla

Professor Bradley Epps
Dr Aytok Erdil
Professor Khaled Fahmy
Professor James Fawcett
Dr Chryssi Giannitsarou
Lord Tony Giddens

Dr Caroline Goodson
Professor Ben Gripiaios
Professor Stephen Hugh Jones
Dr Aileen Kelly
Professor Charlie Loke
Dr Naomi McGovern

Professor Dan McKenzie
Professor Bob Rowthorn
Professor Hamid Sabourian

Professor Gareth Stedman Jones
Dr Erica Swales
Professor Caroline van Eck

Professor John Young

On leave

Dr David Al Attar
Dr Andreas Bender

Professor Pete de Bolla

OPEN BUSINESS

1. Declarations of Interest

None.

2. Minutes of Open Business of the Annual Congregation held on 5th December, 2019

Approved.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes

None.

4. Oral Reports

None.

Principal Business

5. Budget Update

The First Bursar presented a paper updating the Governing Body on our current financial position and plans for the future. The loss of rental income, the closing of the College to visitors, and the falls in the stock markets, have all had a major effect. The closure of the College has also led to some savings. Nonetheless, we expect the outcome to be about £1 million worse than planned in our budget. The position next year is very uncertain and the Finance Committee expect to have to make many adjustments to our budget through the year. It is clear that we will need to save money through reduced expenditure or increased income. We will try to do that without doing any lasting damage to the College. In particular, there are no current plans for redundancies although that may change if the financial pressures increase.

Congregation noted the losses expected in the current financial year and the plans for the budget for next year.

6. Update on current Building Projects

The Domus Bursar updated the Governing Body on the various planned building projects. The work on Old Garden Hostel, Cranmer Hostel and the drainage at Bodleys Court are due to resume as long as the contractors can do so safely and abiding by Government restrictions. The contractor engaged for the work on Keynes, the Wilkins Roof and the Bar had submitted a price far higher than originally proposed. Accordingly, the Buildings Committee do not recommend its acceptance. Instead, we will seek to do as much as we can of these works separately and within the agreed budgets.

The contractors will need to comply with Health and Safety requirements, especially over Covid-19. The contractors are fully committed and are working with us to ensure safety. The First Bursar confirmed that, if difficulties do arise, the College or the Health and Safety Executive could close the sites but would bear the legal responsibility for doing so.

Congregation agreed:

- a. To approve the refurbishment of Keynes moving to the Delivery Phase, subject to further tendering work and ensuring the project remains within the existing project cost (£6.4m) plus up to £400k in recognition of Covid-19 related expenditure (£6.8m to project completion).
- b. To approve the Hall roof replacement moving to the Delivery Phase, subject to further tendering work and ensuring the project remains with the existing project cost (£0.942m) plus up to £258k in recognition of Covid-19 related expenditure (£1.2m to project completion).
- c. To approve the College Bar improvements moving to the Delivery Stage (£1.134m to project completion).
- d. To approve the Gibbs' Building exterior conservation exiting the Portfolio.

7. Ex Chapel Panelling – Future considerations

The Governing Body decided that it would be useful to consider this matter further and, to see parts of the panelling in place in the Chapel. Accordingly, the vote was postponed until the next Congregation.

8. Intermission of Research Fellows – second reading

Congregation agreed, for the second time, the new Ordinance below on the intermission of Research Fellows:

A Research Fellow may, with the permission of the Research Committee, intermit their Research Fellowship for up to two years to pursue academic teaching or a research project elsewhere. A Research Fellow who is intermitting their Research Fellowship shall have the privileges associated with a non-resident member, except in such cases as Council makes a grant of additional privileges.

Routine papers (for report only)

9. Review of Terms of Reference for Council

The Terms of Reference for Council were reviewed and agreed.

10. Quinquennial Inspection of the Chapel Fabric – Implementation of Recommendations

The Domus Bursar presented a paper to the Governing Body on the 2018 Chapel Quinquennial Inspection.

Governing Body approved the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection.

11. Any Other Business

None.

The virtual Congregation ended at 7:48pm.