

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held in the Wine Room
On Tuesday, 26th April 2016 at 2 pm

<i>Present:</i>	Provost	<i>In</i>	First Bursar
	Professor Dunn	<i>Attendance:</i>	Vice-Provost
	Professor Moffett		Senior Tutor
	Professor Mouhot <i>from</i>		Domus Bursar
	<i>item 117</i>		
	Dr Barber		*Ms Love
	The Revd Dr Cherry		*Ms Courea
	Dr Weibye <i>from item 128</i>		<i>Mrs Wilson to take Minutes</i>
	*Mr Abrams		
	*Mr Fleming		* <i>Open business only</i>

OPEN BUSINESS

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Professor Laidlaw and Dr Taylor.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

103. Minutes of Open Matters of 8 March 2016

The minutes of the Open Business of the meeting held on 8 March 2016 were approved and signed.

104. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

105. Vacation Powers

a. Student Rents Working Party (Paper 100)

Agreed:

- a. to establish a working party to investigate a smoothing mechanism for student rent increases and to report to Council by the last meeting of the Easter Term 2016.
- b. to appoint the following to be members of this working party:

Professor Robin Osborne	Dr Tim Flack
Dr Jules Griffin	Two undergraduates
Dr Keith Carne	Two graduates.
Dr Sharath Srinivasan	

b. Removal of Geese (Paper 101)

Agreed: to reduce the numbers of geese currently taking residence in the College.

c. Use of Front Lawn (Paper 102)

Agreed: to approve the proposal for the use of the front lawn (outside the screen on King's Parade) on April 16th and June 4th 2016, as set out in the paper as one of the two uses permitted annually to the students, subject to final approval of arrangements by the Lay Dean, Head Porter, Senior Groundsman and the Domus Bursar.

106. Action List

Council noted the Action List.

107. Minutes of Council Committees:

- a. Council accepted the Development Committee Minutes of 9 March 2016.
- b. Council accepted the Visitor Committee Minutes of 10 February 2016.
- c. Council accepted the Church Patronage Committee Minutes of 3 March 2016.

108. Student Rents

Council was asked by the Congregation on 8th March to reconsider the increase to student rents approved on 16th February and to set up a Working Party to investigate a smoothing mechanism for student rents.

Students had been told the currently agreed rents for next year. They know that Council is reconsidering but the new rents will not begin until the end of the academic year. If the Working Party proposes a mechanism to smooth rent increases, then Council may wish to use that mechanism when considering an emergency cap. The First Bursar suggested in his paper that Council make both decisions at its final meeting of this term.

109. Privately funded College fees

The First Bursar presented a paper requesting Council to agree the level of fees for privately funded undergraduate students from October 2017.

Agreed: to set the College privately funded undergraduate fees the academic year 2017-18 at:

- (i) £6,999 for students whose course began before 2016-17;
- (ii) £7,617 for students whose course begins in 2016-17;
- (iii) £7,998 for students whose course begins in 2017-18.

The fees for students whose course began before 2016 will increase by no more than 5% above inflation in future years. The fee for students whose

course begins in 2016-17 or 2017-18 will be the same in subsequent years of the course.

110. Catering Committee Revised Terms of Reference

The Vice-Provost submitted the Catering Committee's revised Terms of Reference for Council's approval.

Agreed: to approve the revised Terms of Reference for the Catering Committee.

111. Prize Awards

The Senior Tutor announced the following awards:

The Jasper Ridley Prize to Tom Archer, Zack Case, Alice Kelly and Mo Paechter.

The Edward Gollin Prize to Benedict Kearns and Daniel Lewis.

The Bertram Faulkner Prize to Stephane Crayton.

The Harmer Prize to Tom Etheridge.

The Jill Rickers Fund awards to Tom Etheridge, Miranda Gabbott and Philipp Heckmann-Umhau.

The Susie Gautier-Smith Prize to both Sasha Brooks and Lola Seaton.

112. Rylands Art Prize

The Rylands Art Prize was awarded as follows:

Shared first prize: Anjalene Whittier and Tish Ward;

Shared third prize: Elizabeth Vargas and Kayoon Anderson.

113. John Rose Prize

The John Rose Prize is in memory of Dr Charles John Rose (1963) and for the "best explanation of a scientific principle of general interest".

The two prize-winning essays were:

Joint 1 st place	Agnes Cameron – Holograms
	Jack Weston – A brief History of Black Holes

114. Cambridge Legal Walk

The Domus Bursar presented a paper requesting Council's permission to stage part of the 2016 Cambridge Legal Walk through King's College. The walk would take place on 13th June.

Agreed: that the organisers of the annual Cambridge Legal Walk be allowed to make arrangements to proceed through King's College on Monday 13th June, subject to detailed agreement with the Domus Bursar, Head of Visitor Services, Head Porter and the Senior Groundsman.

115. RHS L2 Course

The Domus Bursar asked Council to note the development of a partnering arrangement with Writtle College to deliver RHS Level 2 Practical and Theory Courses in King's College. There would be up to twelve pupils on the course, which might be run in the Common Room of Garden Hostel.

Agreed: to support an initiative to develop the delivery of RHS Level 2 courses in conjunction with the Writtle College, and in due course to seek formal approval of Council following the establishment of a Memorandum of Agreement.

116. Gateway Report

The Domus Bursar presented the Gateway Report asking Council to note and endorse those projects being passed to Governing Body for approval. The "gateways" determined the progress of projects, and were controlled as determined by their threshold.

Agreed:

- a. that the Chapel Light and Covered Atrium in Chetwynd Court projects enter the Portfolio and into the Inception Phase;
- b. that the LED installation in support of ESOS project moves to the Investigation Phase;
- c. that the Gardeners Building in the Fellows Garden, External Card Access and Spalding Hostel Internal Refurbishment projects move to the Detailed Planning Phase;
- d. that the Spalding Hostel Exterior Refurbishment (Phase 1 and 2) project moves to the Delivery Phase.

117. College Security

The Domus Bursar Council asked to accept the review of College security and agree recommendations, as endorsed by the Buildings and Safety Committee.

Whilst Council agreed that increased security awareness was needed, there were some reservations on some of the suggestions among Fellows and students, particularly on the suggestions of introducing card access for Bodley's and individual staircases. The Domus Bursar said that this was a report on possible measures, and separate papers would be brought to Council on definite proposals for different aspects of what was a very large project. There would be a paper on access through the rear gates in the coming months as the repairs needed meant that work would be undertaken this year.

The Senior Tutor proposed that a group be set up to discuss which of the recommendations should be pursued; the group should consist of the Domus Bursar, the Accommodation Tutor, two graduate and two undergraduate

students, to include the two Domus Officers, one resident Fellow, namely Professor Laidlaw, the Head Porter.

Agreed:

- a. to note the recommendations in this Security Report, and receive an update on progress against such recommendations during the Michaelmas Term 2016.
- b. that the Domus Bursar be asked to set up a working group as described in the Minute above.

118. Changes to the KCSU Standing Orders

The KCSU President asked Council to note that in 2015/16 the undergraduate body elected to change the KCSU Standing Orders in order to introduce a Disabled Students Officer onto the KCSU Executive, and to remove the binary gender restriction from the Welfare Officer positions.

119. Conference Updates

The Vice-Provost reported on new conferences and events organised by the Catering Department. Having consulted with the Dean and the First Bursar, he was satisfied that there was no reason to refuse any of the new clients listed in the papers.

120. Any Other Business

There was no other business.