

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held in the Provost's Lodge
On Tuesday, 28th May 2019 at 2 pm

<i>Present:</i>	Provost	<i>In</i>	Senior Tutor
	Dr Adams	<i>Attendance:</i>	First Bursar
	Dr Ainslie		
	Dr Barber		* <i>Open business only</i>
	Professor Efstathiou		
	Ms Headen	<i>By invitation:</i>	<i>Dr Filling for items 203 & 204</i>
	Professor Humphrey		<i>Ms James</i>
	Dr Moody		<i>to take minutes</i>
	*Ms Rude		

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from the Vice-Provost, Domus Bursar, Dr Candea, Dr Adhikari and Ms Bevilacqua. Dr Davies is on sabbatical. Ms Joynt and Ms Georgescu were absent.

OPEN BUSINESS

198. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

199. Minutes of Open Matters of 14th May 2019

The minutes of the Open Business of Council on 14th May 2019 were approved.

200. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

201. Council Timetable and Action List

Council noted the Timetable and Action List.

202. Oral reports

After a discussion about Chetwynd Court, it was agreed that Council should provide more of a steer to the Governing Body. The Domus Bursar and First Bursar will submit more detailed papers to Council on 11th June 2019.

Principal Items of Business

203 &

204. Graduate Rents

The First Bursar presented a paper asking Council to consider the rents and the terms for graduate accommodation next year, while the Graduate Joint Rep presented a paper asking Council not to increase the graduate rents or notice period for graduate accommodation next year.

Two concerns were raised at the Council Strategy meeting by the First Bursar: the lower weekly rents charged to graduates as against undergraduates; and the notice period required from those renting rooms.

The Assistant Tutor spoke to the proposed change in the notice period. Of the 31 Colleges, 5, including King's, have a notice period of 4 weeks or less. The remaining 26 Colleges have a notice period of 3 months or more, with 14 specifying 9 months or more.

Potential alternative schemes for rents were discussed, and the Senior Tutor, Accommodation Tutor, Financial Tutor, First Bursar and Domus Bursar will discuss with graduates the issues surrounding graduate accommodation. They will report back to Council by the Michaelmas Term 2019, and this action was added to the Action List.

Agreed:

- (a) At least a quarter's notice must be given before ceasing to occupy a room.
- (b) The weekly rents will be set at the same level as for undergraduates on a long contract of 35 weeks.
- (c) When a graduate student occupies the same room for a full year from 1st October, 2019, the rent for the final month will be reduced by half.

Other Items for Discussion

205. Choir Strategy Committee Report

The First Bursar presented a report on the Choir Strategy Committee which was formed in Easter Term 2014.

The First Bursar was pleased with the progress of the Committee. The focus in 2018/19 has been to review the College's contract with Intermusica and the touring activities of the Choir.

The Committee is overseeing the establishment of regulations and protocols for the King's Men and King's Voices which was welcomed by Council.

206. Financial Report on Recordings

The First Bursar presented a paper inviting Council to note that expenditure for recordings is under control and that income is pleasing.

The recording label made a significant loss in its early years, largely due to the use of large orchestras which are very expensive. Things have improved

dramatically, and the Dean and Chapel Media and Label Manager are to be congratulated.

Agreed:

Council welcomed this report and looks forward to similar reports in the future.

207. Kitchen Fixed Charge

The First Bursar presented a paper inviting Council to set the Kitchen Fixed Charge.

The Catering Committee proposed an increase of 10% in the Kitchen Fixed Charge, to take account of the growing deficit arising from student meals. This was approved and the Senior Tutor would investigate putting a list of charges on the intranet so students would be more aware of College charges.

Agreed:

To set the Kitchen Fixed Charge for 2019-20 at £156.94 per term for all undergraduate and graduate students who occupy College rooms.

Business for Report

208. Charities Committee Report

The First Bursar presented a paper on behalf of the Chaplain inviting Council to approve the recommendations of the Charities Committee.

Agreed:

To approve the recommendations of the Charities Committee to make donations of varying values to each of the following:

Pink Week - breast cancer charities; student-led in Cambridge	£500
Hosanna House Children's Pilgrimage Trust – pilgrimage to Lourdes for local disabled/disadvantaged children	£500
Camfed – education of female teenagers in Africa. This charity has its origins in Cambridge	£800
Humanity First – disaster relief and other humanitarian projects. The application of their funds direct to projects is significantly above the sector average.	£800
Embrace Cambridge – Christian student volunteering and support for local charities, especially the homeless.	£400
Refugees at Home - charity which places refugees and asylum-seekers in private homes. 830 achieved since 2015.	£800
Up at Down's - support for children with Down's and their families in Hertfordshire.	£400
Stimulus - volunteer placements in local schools for Cambridge students in STEM subjects. Several King's students involved each year.	£500

Cambridge Rape Crisis **£400**

Cambridge Girls Chess Initiative **£200**

Cambridge Cyrenians - support for local homeless: allotment project. **£400**

Winston's Wish - support for bereaved children. **£400**

CU HELP (Helambu Education and Livelihood Partnership) – project to send books and student volunteers to an area of Nepal. A King's student is heavily involved. **£300**

209. Old Garden Hostel

The Domus Bursar presented a paper updating Council on the detailed planning of this refurbishment, subject to a number of issues being resolved.

Council is invited to note the approval of Governing Body for construction to commence from June 2019, subject to confirmation that overall costs remain within the budget of £10.767m and the Cranmer development will complete in September 2019. The First Bursar reported that the Local Planning Authority will provide unconditional planning permission this week for the Old Garden refurbishment.

210. Chapel Events

A paper was presented on behalf of the Dean giving notice of future events taking place in the Chapel.

Agreed:

To approve the use of Chapel for the events listed below:

Sunday 9th June 2019	1915 – 2100	Music from West Java Richard Causton Traditional and contemporary instrumental music from West Java Conductors: Pak Iwan Gunawan and Simon Cook
Monday 17th June 2019	1900 - 2045	KCMS May Week Concert Trojan Nakade King's College Choir; King's Voices; and King's College Symphony Orchestra Works by: Shostakovich, Bach, Holst, Strauss and Mahler Conductor: Stephen Cleobury

211. Carol Concert on 8th December 2019

Council is invited to approve a carol concert in the Chapel featuring King's Voices, in support of local charities.

Last year, for the first time, a carol concert was performed to raise money for local homeless charities. The event was a great success and raised £15,486.62.

This year the goal is to raise £20,000, in support of Cambridge Cyrenians, Jimmy's, Wintercomfort and Emmaus.

Agreed:

To approve a second concert in support of local homeless charities. The concert will take place with King's Voices at 5.00pm on Sunday 8th December.

212. Minutes of Open Matters of the Education Committee on 15th May 2019

Council accepted the Minutes of Open Matters of the Education Committee on 15th May 2019.

213. Minutes of the Investment Committee of 1st February 2019

Council accepted the minutes of the Investment Committee of 1st February 2019.

214. Minutes of the Investment Committee of 8th March 2019

Council accepted the minutes of the Investment Committee of 8th March 2019.

215. Minutes of the Finance Committee of 25th February 2019

Council accepted the minutes of the Finance Committee of 25th February 2019.

216. Minutes of the Finance Committee of 29th April 2019

Council accepted the minutes of the Finance Committee of 29th April 2019.

217. Minutes of the Gardens Committee of 11th February 2019

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218. Any Other Business

There was no other business.