

## KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held  
On Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 at 2 pm via Microsoft Teams

<i>Present:</i>	Provost	<i>In</i>	Vice-Provost
	Dr Adams	<i>Attendance:</i>	Senior Tutor
	Dr Ainslie		First Bursar
	Dr Bozic		Domus Bursar
	Dr Davies		
	Ms Headen		
	Professor Humphrey		* <i>Open business only</i>
	*Ms E Nouri		
	*Mr S Crayton		*Mr E Everett
			*Ms E Adeoyo
		<i>By invitation</i>	Jenny Malpass - Minutes
			<i>Professor Arnold for item 143</i>
			<i>Mr Billington for item 143</i>

### **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Dr Moody, Dr Adhikari, Dr Candea and Professor Efstathiou.

### **OPEN BUSINESS**

The Provost welcomed the new Vice-President of KCSU, Ms Estella Nouri and asked her to recite the Oath for students on becoming Members of Council and confirmed that the Guidelines on confidentiality of Council business had been sent to her.

#### **138. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **139. Minutes of Open Matters of 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020**

The minutes of the Open Business of Council on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 were approved.

#### **140. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **141. Council timetable & action list**

Council noted the timetable and action list.

#### **142. Oral reports**

There were no Oral Reports

### **Principal Items of Business**

#### **143. Guidance for the Budget 2020-21**

Professor John Arnold, Chair of the Finance Committee, and Mr Simon Billington, Assistant Bursar, joined the meeting.

The First Bursar reported to Council that as a result of the global pandemic the College was looking at a possible budget deficit of £2.5 million for 2020/21 and asked Council to provide guidance to the Finance Committee on how the budget might be set.

After discussion Council suggested that working towards a budget for next year showing a deficit of £1 million would be preferred but that as it was still difficult to foresee the full financial impact of the lockdown it might be beneficial to look at a number of scenarios showing differing financial impacts. Council suggested that budget discussions with Heads of Department should begin as soon as possible highlighting the need to increase revenue wherever possible but noting that cost cutting would also be necessary.

Council asked the First Bursar to bring an updated version of the volatility paper to the Council meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> May.

### **Business for Report**

#### **144. Agreed under Vacations Powers**

144a Notification of an initiative for homeless people in Cambridge

Council noted and approved an initiative, with the City Housing Department and the Cambridge Churches Homeless Project, circulated by the Domus Bursar, on housing homeless people in the Bene't Street Hostel.

#### **145. Report from the Honorary Rowe Librarian**

Council noted the annual report from the Honorary Rowe Librarian, Professor Iain Fenlon.

#### **146. Any Other Business**

The President of the KCSU asked Council whether the Bridging Scheme would still go ahead this year. The Senior Tutor confirmed that Tutorial were currently investigating whether it would be possible to offer an 'on-line' version for this year.

The virtual meeting closed at 3.30pm.

The next meeting of Council will be held virtually on Tuesday, 28th April at 2pm.