

KING'S COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

At a meeting of the Council held
On Tuesday, 4th May 2021 at 2 pm via Zoom

<i>Present:</i>	Provost	<i>In</i>	Vice-Provost
	Dr Adams	<i>Attendance:</i>	Senior Tutor
	Dr Ainslie		First Bursar
	Dr Dolan		Domus Bursar
	Professor Dunn		
	Professor Griffin		
	Professor Griffiths		*Mr N Roundy
	Dr Perry		*Ms E James
	Professor Sharman		
	Dr Srinivasan *		
		<i>By invitation</i>	Jenny Malpass - Minutes
	*Mr A Mortlock		
	*Mr A Provost		Dr Wallach – for item 131
			* <i>Open business only</i>

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Dr Candea. Dr Srinivasan left the meeting at 3pm

OPEN BUSINESS

126. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

127. Minutes of Open Matters of 9th March 2021

The minutes of the Open Business of Council on 9th March 2021 were approved.

128. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

129. Council timetable & action list

Council noted the timetable and updated the action list and asked that students be encouraged to raise any concerns they have with their wifi before their exams start.

130. Oral reports

The First Bursar and Senior Tutor updated Council on the current situation for Covid-19 and reported that infection rates were currently very low and students returning were entering self-isolation as necessary. Students were to be reminded when and where face coverings should be worn.

Principal Items of Business

131. An update on the Budget

The Chair of the Finance Committee, Dr Rob Wallach, joined the meeting to present a brief update to Council on the Finance Committee's work preparing a draft budget.

Council received and discussed a report from the Finance Committee describing its approach to preparing the budget for 2021-22.

On discussing the loss of rental income as a result of the cancellation of PKP, the First Bursar and Senior Tutor agreed to give consideration to the membership of a Working Party to consider what the opportunities are and how to implement the use of student rooms out of Term time and bring their suggestions back to a Council meeting later this Term.

Council, on behalf of the Finance Committee, wished to thank the First Bursar and Assistant Bursar, Mr Simon Billington, for their hard work in preparing the budget.

Other Items for Discussion

132. Spalding Hostel Refurbishment

The Domus Bursar presented an update on the Spalding Hostel refurbishment and sought Council's endorsement to Governing Body to proceed to RIBA Stages III and IV and the submission of Listed Building Consent and planning approval.

Council agreed as follows:

- a) To accept the RIBA Stage II report and to agree that future work of the Design Team should focus on an EnerPHit installation.
- b) To endorse to Governing Body that this project moves to the Detailed Planning Stage /RIBA III / IV (cost £506k).

133. Investment Statement

The First Bursar presented, on behalf of the Investment Committee, a statement that it had issued describing their approach to investments.

Council noted and approved the statement on investments produced by the Investment Committee.

134. Founder's Obit Celebrations on 20th and 21st May 2021

The Vice-Provost reported to Council that 2021 was the 600th anniversary of Henry VI's birth and the 550th anniversary of his death. Whilst it was unlikely that the celebration in December for his birth would be affected by the pandemic restrictions, the date of his Obit celebrations, 21st May, would. The Vice-Provost therefore invited Council to consider holding 2 dinners, each for 30 Fellows, to celebrate Founder's Obit, on 20th May and on 21st May.

Council agreed to permit the 550th anniversary of the death of Henry VI to be marked on Thursday 20th May and Friday 21st May 2021 on the terms set out in the paper, and subject to prevailing Covid-19 restrictions and protocols.

Business for Report

135. Memorial Tablets in Chapel - Policy

Council was asked to approve a policy on Memorial Tablets in Chapel.

Council agreed the new Policy as follows:

1. Any proposal to install a Memorial Tablet in Chapel should be referred to the Dean who will have preliminary conversations with the family or other proposers and then refer the matter to the College Council.
2. When a proposal to install a memorial has been received by Council it will set up a small group to consider the matter, the Memorial Consideration Group (MCG). The MCG should and report back no later than the final meeting of the term following the initial request.
3. The MCG will be chaired by the Dean and include the Vice-Provost, the Chair of the Adornment Committee and Chapel Inspecting Architect, together with anyone else nominated by Council.
4. The Group must bear in mind the following points as it considers the case and decides whether or not to take the proposal forward.
 - 4.1. Memorial Tablets will only be installed very occasionally and under the most exceptional of circumstances.
 - 4.2. Only members of College whose contribution was connected with the Chapel in a profound and extended way should be considered.
 - 4.3. The nominees should have been deceased for a long enough period for an objective and dispassionate consideration of the case to be made. 5 years is considered a minimum. Council may feel that longer may be necessary if the nominee was an active member of College when they died.
5. If the MCG feels that a memorial is warranted it should make a proposal to Council in the form of a paper which makes the case for memorialising this individual in Chapel. The paper should summarise

- 5.1. the nominee's distinction and their relationship to the College in general and the Chapel in particular.
- 5.2. the proposed design (including size, material, wording, font and fixings) of the memorial.
- 5.3. the proposed location.
- 5.4. an indication of costs and how they will be met.
6. If Council agrees the College will petition the Chancellor of the Diocese of Ely for Faculty to allow for the lawful fixing of the agreed Tablet, subject to whatever conditions in terms of covering costs and location and design details as Council directs.
7. From this stage on the process might be overseen by the Dean and Inspecting Architect, as Council directs on any particular occasion.

136. Qualification as a Charity Trustee

The First Bursar asked Council to approve the continued use of the Trustee Eligibility Declaration form.

Council agreed to the continued use of the unaltered Trustee Eligibility Declaration, to be completed on appointment as a Fellow and at subsequent renewals.

137. Loan request for Keynes Bequest Painting held at the Fitzwilliam Museum

Council agreed to the loan of Walter Sickert's, oil on canvas, Théâtre de Montmartre, currently held at the Fitzwilliam Museum, for an exhibition at the Tate Britain, London from 25th April to 25th September 2022, and then at the Petit Palais, Paris, from 20th October 2022 to 5th February 2023.

138. Cambridge Half Marathon

The Domus Bursar presented a request to stage part of the 2022 Cambridge Half Marathon Charity event through King's College and reminded Council that although it had already approved the race taking place on 17th October 2021, the organisers sought to return to the normal time of the year in 2022.

Council agreed that the organisers of the annual Cambridge Half Marathon event be allowed to make arrangements to proceed through King's College on Sunday, 6th March 2022, subject to detailed planning with the Domus Bursar, Head of Visitor Services, Head Porter, Dean's Verger and the Head Gardener. The Domus Bursar also agreed to re-advertise to the student body that a number of free entrance tickets were still available.

139. Minutes of the Library Committee Meeting held on 12th April 2021

Council accepted the Minutes of the Library Committee Meeting held on 12th April 2021.

140. Minutes of the Visitors' Committee Meeting held on 15th February 2021 and review of the Terms of Reference

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141. Minutes of the Church Patronage Committee Meeting held on 12th November 2020

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142. Minutes of the Church Patronage Committee Meeting held on 25th February 2021

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143. Minutes of the Chapel Committee Meeting held on 22nd October 2020

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144. Minutes of the Chapel Committee Meeting held on 5th March 2021

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145. Minutes of the Gardens Committee Meeting held on 15th February 2021

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146. Minutes of the Catering Committee Meeting held on 2nd March 2021 and review of Terms of Reference

Council accepted the Minutes of the Catering Committee Meeting held on 12nd March 2021 and the review of the Terms of Reference.

147. James Essay Prize 2021

A paper was presented on the prizes awarded for the James Essay Prize 2021. The James Essay Prize was instituted in 1786, with a bequest from the Rev.

Thomas James, Fellow and Tutor. There were 5 entries this year and the following awards were made:

1st Prize of £350 was awarded to Siddharth Pai for his essay entitled ‘Which invention has had the greatest impact on our lives’

Highly Commended (with a prize of £250) was awarded to Charlie Cowgill for his essay ‘Can you ever be too “woke”?’

Both winning essays will be placed on the intranet.

148. John Rose Prize 2021

A paper was presented on the prizes awarded for the John Rose Prize 2021.

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’.

This year there were 13 entries and the following awards were made:

1st Prize was awarded to Emelyn Rude for her entry: ‘What the nose knows: on Wine and the Mysteries of Flavour’

2nd place was awarded to Stefano Vergani for his entry: ‘A short essay on Cereals, Insects and Microrobots’.

149. Stephen Glanville Fund disbursement 2021

The Senior Tutor reported to Council that the new mechanism for the disbursement of the Stephen Glanville Fund had worked extremely well and congratulated the Junior Members of Council for their work on this.

Their recommendation for disbursement is to split the Fund income totalling £4046 equally between the 7 charities below, giving £578 to each:

- Cambridge Women’s Aid
- Cambridgeshire Coronavirus Community Fund
- Cambridge Rape Crisis Centre
- Street Bite
- Winter Comfort
- Jimmy’s
- The Cambridge Hub

150 Any Other Business

There being no other business the meeting closed at 3.45pm

The next meeting of Council will be held on Tuesday 18th May 2021 at 2pm via Zoom.