UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Minute of the 103rd Annual Meeting of Court

Friday 7 December 2012

The Rt Hon The Baroness Hale of Richmond (Chancellor)

Dr A Bernays (Pro-Chancellor), Mr D Burn (Chair of Council), Ms R Geller (Registrar & Chief Operating Officer), Prof N Lieven (Pro Vice-Chancellor), Prof G Orpen (Pro Vice-Chancellor), Sir J Tidmarsh (Pro-Chancellor), Prof E Thomas (Vice-Chancellor), Mr J Wadsworth (Treasurer), Dr M Woolley (Pro-Chancellor)

Cllr P Abraham Dr A Doufexi Mr A Macdonald Ms L Robinson
Prof J Adams Mrs S Drummond Mr R Madden-Abbott Ms S Robinson
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Mr R Barlow Mr A Franks Mr R Massie Mr R Schmidt
Dr S Barnes Ms C Gallacher Mr J Mathias Prof W Schwarzacher
Mr S Barnett Dr A Garrad Prof J Memmot Mr A Scott
Mrs C Bateson Lady Gass Mr A Mezzetti Cllr I Scott
His Honour P Batterbury Ms S Gilbert Ms A Miln Mr C Scowen
Prof Sir M Berry Prof J Golding Mr J Miotla J Smith
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Dr L Bird Prof P Green Dr L Moore Mr D Snoxell
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Mr D Clarke Mrs J Kirk Prof M Partington Prof A Waterman-Pearson
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Dr N Dahnoun Prof H Land Prof B Pickering Mr A Westcott
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Revd E Davis Prof M Liversidge Mrs N Press Mrs H Willoughby
Prof R Dixon Mrs L Lodge Mrs M Prior Ms A Wilson
Mrs C Donoghue Mr S Lyne Mr W Ray Mrs L Wilson
Dr H Donoghue Mr J Richards Mr P Winfield
1. **Minutes of the meeting of December 2011**

   1.1 APPROVED (reference **Agenda item 1**).
   
   1.2 The names of two members present but not noted were appended.

2. **Changes in Court membership**

   2.1 NOTED (reference **Agenda item 2**).
   
   2.2 The Chair welcomed new members.
   
   2.3 APPROVED: the nomination of the Mayor of Bristol under Category VIII – Holders of local offices.

3. **The University’s Review of the Year 2011/12**

   3.1 RECEIVED (reference **Agenda item 3**).
   
   3.2 The Chair of Council gave a presentation (on file).

4. **Annual Report and Financial Statements 2011/12**

   4.1 RECEIVED (reference **Agenda item 4**).
   
   4.2 The Finance Director gave a presentation (on file).

5. **Appointment of lay members of Council**

   5.1 APPROVED (reference **Agenda item 5**).
   
   5.2 The Chair thanked the Chair of the Nominations Committee of Court.

6. **Appointment of University Treasurer**

   6.1 APPROVED: the appointment of Mr A Poolman for a period of one year from 1 January 2013 (reference **Agenda item 6**).
   
   6.2 The Chair thanked the outgoing Treasurer.

7. **Appointment of External Auditors**

   7.1 APPROVED: the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP for a further year (reference **Agenda item 7**).

8. **Governance issues**

   8.1 NOTED (reference **Agenda item 8**).
8.2 The Chair of the Nominations Committee of Court thanked the outgoing members, Dr S Goldsmith, Mr A Scott and Col J Thompson, and welcomed the new members, Ms S Gilbert and Prof J Steeds.

9. Appointment of Pro-Chancellors

9.1 APPROVED *(nem con)* by special resolution: the re-appointment of Dr M Woolley to serve as a Pro-Chancellor for a further year to 31 December 2013 (reference Agenda item 9).

9.2 APPROVED: the appointment of Mr R Holmes to serve as a Pro-Chancellor for a period of three years to 31 December 2015 (reference Agenda item 9).

10. Re-appointment of Chancellor

*The Chancellor ceded the Chair to the Chair of Council and left the meeting while this proposal was discussed.*

10.1 APPROVED *(nem con)* by special resolution: the Chancellor’s term of office to be extended by a period of up to a further five years from 31 December 2013, with the option to retire early during that period as long as the University has sufficient notice in order to find a successor.

11. Date of next annual meeting

11.1 The next meeting of Court was provisionally scheduled for Friday 6 December 2013.