

University of Bristol

Ordinances

Contents

- 1 Board of Trustees - Duties, Responsibilities and Standards
- 2 Board of Trustees
- 3 Delegation Framework
- 4 Board Committees
- 5 Proceedings of the Board and Board Committees
- 6 Senate
- 7 Senior Executive Officers
- 8 Faculties and Academic Schools
- 9 Student and Academic Status and University Membership
- 10 Employment
- 11 Alumni Association
- 12 Students' Union

Definitions and interpretation

- 1 The rules of interpretation set out in article 2 of the Charter shall apply to these Ordinances and words defined in the Charter shall have the same meaning in these Ordinances unless the context indicates otherwise.
- 2 In these Ordinances, the following words and expressions shall have the following meanings:
 - 2.1 "**Academic School**" is defined in **Ordinance 8.2**.
 - 2.2 "**Academic Year**" means the University's academic year specified in **Ordinance 9.6**.
 - 2.3 "**Additional Member**" means a member of a Board Committee who is not a Trustee, appointed in accordance with **Ordinance 4.2.1.7**.
 - 2.4 "**Appropriate Manager**" is defined in **Ordinance 10.1.7**.
 - 2.5 "**Associate**" is defined in the Corporate Governance Framework for the University of Bristol Group of Companies as "a company in which the University has an interest between 20% and 49% and is able to exercise some influence".
 - 2.6 "**Board**" means the Board of Trustees as defined in the Charter.
 - 2.7 "**Board Committee**" or "**Committee**" means a committee of the Board of Trustees including:

- 2.7.1 the standing committees of the Board of Trustees whose terms of reference are set out in **Ordinance 4**; and
- 2.7.2 where the context permits, any other committee of the Board of Trustees established by the Board pursuant to its powers under **Statute 3.5**,
but excluding Senate.
- 2.8 "**Board Delegation Schedule**" is defined in **Ordinance 3.2.2.1**.
- 2.9 "**Code of Conduct**" means the Trustee code of conduct set out in **Ordinance 1.3**.
- 2.10 "**Conflict of Interest**" and "**Interest**" are defined in **Ordinance 5.14.3**.
- 2.11 "**Executive**" means the Vice-Chancellor and their delegates, including the University Executive Board.
- 2.12 "**Executive Delegation Schedule**" is defined in **Ordinance 3.2.2.3**.
- 2.13 "**Executive Group**" means the University's Executive Group comprising the Vice-Chancellor, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Provost, the Pro Vice-Chancellors, the Registrar & University Secretary and the Chief Financial Officer.
- 2.14 "**Faculty**" and "**Faculty Board**" are described in **Ordinance 8**.
- 2.15 "**Governance Team**" means the Head of Governance (by whatever title that role shall from time to time be known as) and their team.
- 2.16 "**Group**" means the University and the Subsidiary Companies.
- 2.17 "**Library**" means the University Library comprising libraries and library-managed study spaces.
- 2.18 "**material decision**" is defined in **Ordinance 3.4.2**.
- 2.19 "**OfS**" means the Office for Students.
- 2.20 "**Preferred Skills**" is defined in **Ordinance 2.2.2.6**.
- 2.21 "**Registrar & University Secretary**"; "**Chief Financial Officer**"; "**Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Provost**"; "**Deputy Vice-Chancellor**"; and "**Pro-Vice-Chancellor**" mean the person or persons for the time being holding office as Registrar & University Secretary; Chief Financial Officer and Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Provost; Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University respectively.
- 2.22 "**Senate Delegation Schedule**" is defined in **Ordinance 3.2.2.2**.
- 2.23 "**Senior Executive Officers**" means the officers of the University set out in **Ordinance 7.1**.
- 2.24 "**Standing Orders**" means regulations made from time to time by a body within the University to govern the body's own proceedings.
- 2.25 "**Subsidiary Company**" means a subsidiary of the University as defined by section 1159 Companies Act 2006.
- 2.26 "**Treasurer**" means the person (being an Independent Trustee) from time to time holding office as Treasurer of the University.
- 2.27 "**University Executive Board**" means an executive board comprising Officers and members of Staff to which the Vice-Chancellor delegates in accordance with **Ordinance 7.5**.

2.28 **"University Strategy"** means the overarching strategic plan of the University.

3 Any terms defined and used in one of the Ordinances only shall have the meanings given to them in the relevant Ordinance.