



Estates Committee

Thursday 5 September 2024 – Monday 9 September 2024

Minute – Website Version

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Responded: Frank Armstrong, Co-opted Member of Court
David Argyle, Vice Principal and Head of College of Medicine and Veterinary Medicine
Leigh Chalmers, Vice-Principal and University Secretary
Chris Cox, Vice-Principal Philanthropy and Advancement and Executive Director of Development and Alumni
Sue Currie, External Member
Iain Gordon, Vice-Principal and Head of College of Science & Engineering
Dave Gorman, Director of Social Responsibility and Sustainability
Kim Graham, Provost
Lee Hamill, Director of Finance
Colm Harmon, Vice-Principal Students
Dora Herndon, EUSA President
Gavin McLachlan, Vice-Principal, Chief Information Officer and Librarian to the University
Theresa Merrick, Director of Communications and Marketing
Mark Parsons, EPCC Director and Dean of Research Computing
Sarah Prescott, Vice Principal, Head of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
Alistair Smith, Co-opted Member of Court
Rona Smith, Director of Strategic Planning & Insight
Richard Terry, External Member of the Committee

1. Estates Committee approval

1.1 Post Estates Committee Briefing Note in relation to a Strategic Acquisition

Estates Committee was provided with an update on the “off market” strategic acquisition opportunity. Estates Committee approval was sought to progress with the acquisition following consideration of the updated information provided.

The update was provided to Estates Committee for consideration by electronic correspondence. A total of 17 responses were received with 16 of those giving approval to progress to Policy and Resources Committee and one being unable to support the recommendation to move forward

without further assurances being provided. A number of detailed comments were also provided by members.

Estates Committee therefore agreed to recommend to Policy and Resources Committee and subsequently University Court that a revised formal offer to acquire the site should be made.