

## Joint Meeting of the Councils

**UNRESTRICTED** Minutes of the meeting held at 2.00 p.m. on Thursday 31 March 2022 at Winchester House, Canterbury Court, London Campus

**Present:**

Venerable Randolph Thomas (Chair)  
Justin Albert  
Tania Davies  
Eifion Griffiths  
Professor Medwin Hughes  
Dr Conny Matera-Rogers  
Rowland Jones  
Arwel Ellis Owen  
Matthew Peake

Victoria Provis  
Dr Stuart Robb  
Nigel Roberts  
Dr Liz Siberry  
Dr Kerry Tudor

**In attendance:**

Sarah Clark, Clerk to Council  
Andrew Cornish, Principal, Coles Sir Gar/Ceredigion  
Professor Dylan Jones, Deputy Vice-Chancellor  
Professor Catrin Thomas, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)  
Shône Hughes, Chief of Staff

Steve Baldwin Director of Resources and Business Planning  
Gavin Bessant, Director of Financial Services (via Teams)  
Jane O'Rourke, Executive Director of Human Resources  
Catrin Beard (Translator)  
Margaret Williams (Secretary)

Minute Number	Main discussion points	Action/decision
22.14 Apologies for absence	Apologies for absence were received from Tony Ball, Pam Berry, Andrew Curl, Siwan Davies, Margaret Evans, Uzo Iwobi, Vanessa Liverpool, Geraint Roberts, Emlyn Schiavone, Maria Stedman, Deris Williams	

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22.15 Declarations of interest	The Councils RECEIVED the Declarations of Interest as NOTED in the Clerk's report (JCO139).	
22.16 Chair's report	<p>The Councils RECEIVED the Chair's report (JCO140).</p> <p>The Chair reported that Liam Powell, student governor, had resigned with effect from 25 March 2022 to take up a position at USW. The Chair thanked him for his service to the Council and for his major contribution to the recent QAA Review.</p> <p>The Chair also thanked the senior team for the way they had worked with the Students' Union on a number of issues and commended the way in which the matters had been dealt with this.</p> <p>The Chair updated members on the recent ChUW meeting, including concerns about and outlined the impact on the freeze of tuition fees in England. He would provide an update on this matter in due course.</p>	
22.17 Vice-Chancellor's report	This is a RESTRICTED item and reported within the restricted minutes of the meeting.	
22.18 Risk register	This is a RESTRICTED item and reported within the restricted minutes of the meeting.	
22.19 Annual Report: Equality and Diversity 2020/21	<p>The Councils CONSIDERED the UWTSD Annual Report: Equality and Diversity 2020/21(JCO143), which would be a published document in accordance with the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales) Regulations 2011.</p> <p>Members noted that the report provided an update on progress against the targets set out in the University's Strategic Equality Plan 2020-24. It also contained a detailed analysis of the staff and student profile by protected characteristics. The EDHR reported that the University was also due to publish its Gender Pay Gap report that day.</p> <p>Members referred to the disclosure of personal information and commended the way in which the University supported staff and students in disclosing their information, thus building a strong community supporting the progress being made in regard to equality.</p> <p>The EDHR reported that the report would be published on the UWTSD website later that day.</p>	
22.20	The Councils CONFIRMED the Minutes of the meeting held on 27 January 2022 (JCO144).	

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22. 21 Action points	The Councils RECEIVED the updated table of action points (JCO145).	
22.22 Prevent – HEFCW response	The Councils RECEIVED HEFCW's response to the University's annual Prevent return, which confirmed that both universities had demonstrated sufficient evidence of due regard to the Prevent duty (JCO146).	
22.23 Prevent Duty action plan	The Councils RECEIVED the UWTSD/UW Prevent Duty Action Plan as of March 2022 (JCO147).	
22.24 Declarations of interest	There were no additional declarations of interest reported during the course of the meeting.	
Date and time of next meeting	The next meeting would be held on the 7 July 2022.	

Meeting terminated 2.45 p.m.