

## MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

# Held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION	WHO
1.	Apologies & Absences		
	For a record of attendance, apologies and absences, see		
	attached list.		
2.	Declarations of Interest		
	Shalini Sharma declared that she was a member of the		
	University and College Union.		
3.	Retirement of the Vice-Chancellor		
	Council received the Vice-Chancellor's notice that he would		
	be retiring from Keele on 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2025.		
	The Chair noted that it was received with sadness but that		
	he fully understood the rationale.		
	The process for the appointment of a Vice-Chancellor was		
	set out in the University's governance framework within		
	the Charter, Statutes and Ordinances.		
	The appointment would be made by a Joint Committee of		
	Council and Senate, which would be chaired by the Chair		
	of Council and membership would be one half members		
	nominated by Council and one half members nominated		
	by Senate.		
	Work had begun to engage an executive search firm to		
	assist with the search.		
	It was hoped that an appointment would be made by		
	Easter 2025 and that Trevor's successor would be in post		
	by the end of September 2025.		
4.	Correspondence from the University and College Union		
	The Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Chief		
	Operating Officer, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary to		
	Council left the meeting at this point.		

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	Item commercial in confidence		
5.	Any Other Business None.		
6.	Date of Next Meeting  The date of the next meeting was 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2024.		

## ATTENDANCE LIST - 13th November 2024

Mike Farrar Pro-Chancellor

Sally Bucknell Deputy Pro-Chancellor Richard Callaway Deputy Pro-Chancellor A Simon Greenhalgh Deputy Pro-Chancellor A David Hall Honorary Treasurer

Professor Trevor McMillan Vice-Chancellor

Professor Mark Ormerod Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Provost

#### MEMBERS OF UNIVERSITY STAFF

Dr Abbie Rutter Senate Member
Dr Chystelle Egger Senate Member
Dr Shalini Sharma Senate Member

A Emma Colley Appointed by the Professional Services Staff

#### LAY MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE COUNCIL

Ruth Bagley
Jane Burns
David Brown
Tim Forman

A Hifsa Haroon-Igbal

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Sherree Schaefer Dr Lesley Thompson

## STUDENT MEMBERS

Tom Robinson Union Development & Democracy Officer, SU Anne George President, Keele Postgraduate Association

### SECRETARY TO COUNCIL

Clare Stevenson Secretary to Council

IN ATTENDANCE

Dr Mark Bacon Chief Operating Officer
Frances Hewison Chief People Officer
Pascale Vermassen Chief Financial Officer

**SECRETARIAT** 

Fiona Dumbelton Governance Manager

Key A = Absent