

Selection and appointment of the next Chair of Council

Outcome requested:	Council is asked to approve the membership of the group overseeing the search for the next Chair of Council.
Executive Summary:	 [a] Council approved the process for the selection and appointment of the next Chair of Council on 27 October 2015. Council is now asked to approve the membership of the group overseeing the process: John Yard, Vice-Chairman (Chair); Professor Simon Gaskell, President and Principal and ex officio member of Council; Simon Linnett, Treasurer; Carolina Matzalos, QMSU President and ex officio member of Council; Professor Rebecca Lingwood, Vice-Principal (SETL) and QMSE representative; Elizabeth Hall, co-opted member; [b] Jonathan Morgan, Academic Registrar and Council Secretary, and Margaret Ayers, Director of Human Resources, will be in attendance to support the group. [c] The group will meet for the first time on 15 February 2016 to review the role description and person specification, and to agree the brief and process to appoint an executive search firm. It is intended that the appointment panel will comprise a sub-set of the group's membership.
QMUL Strategy: strategic aim reference and sub- strategies	One of the primary responsibilities of Council is to approve the mission and strategic vision of the institution.
Internal/External regulatory/statutory reference points:	QMUL Charter and Ordinances CUC Higher Education Code of Governance HEFCE Memorandum of assurance and accountability
Strategic Risks:	13. Maintain effective and constructive governance
Equality Impact Assessment:	The group overseeing the selection and appointment process, and the executive search firm, will be required to take steps consistent with Council's intention to reflect the diversity of QMUL's student body.
Subject to prior and onward consideration by:	Council approved the process for the selection and appointment of next Chair of Council at its meeting on 27 October 2015.
Confidential paper under FOIA/DPA	No

Timing:	It is intended that the Chair designate should join Council by June 2017 at the latest to allow a period of overlap before the term of the present Chairman ends in January 2018.
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