

Annual Schedule of Business 2023-24

Outcome requested	Council is asked to consider the indicative Annual Schedule of Business for the academic year 2023–24.	
Executive Summary	[a] The schedule of business sets out the Council's plan of work for the 2023–24 academic year. It includes items that are required to ensure compliance with the Office for Students' (OfS) terms and conditions of funding for higher education institutions.	
	[b] The following list of deep dives that were identified at the Council conference have been added to the schedule:	
	 university financial model; future of education; review of Strategy 2030; academic assurance; research; student enterprise; 	
	[c] As in recent years, we will take the QMSU sabbatical officers' presentation at a dedicated meeting in late 2023.	
QMUL Strategy:	The schedule of business relates to all aspects of the strategic plan.	
Internal/External regulatory/statutory reference points:	OfS Terms and conditions of funding for higher education institutions	
Strategic Risks:	N/A	
Equality Impact Assessment:	Not required	
Subject to prior and onward consideration by:	For consideration by Council only.	
Confidential paper under FOIA/DPA:	No.	
Timing	The plan covers the academic year 2023–24.	
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Senior Management/External Sponsor	Lord Clement-Jones, Chair of Council	

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Thursday 05 October 2023

Strategic items	
Strategic Risk Register and KPIs • Updates on student satisfaction (KPI 1); staff engagement (KPI 2); student attainment (KPI 4); alumni engagement (KPI 5); career outcomes (KPI 8); research volume (KPI 9); delivery of infrastructure plan (KPI 11); and cash generation (KPI 12)	President and Principal
Deep dive on the University's financial model	President and Principal Chief Financial Officer
Assurance items	
Freedom of speech	University Secretary
Standing items	
Minutes and matters arising	University Secretary
President and Principal's Report	President and Principal
QMSU President's Report	QMSU President
Current financial position	Chief Financial Officer
 Finance and Investment Committee minutes First draft outturn 2023–23 Research grant and contract income (KPI 9) and recovery of overheads Pension liabilities Sustainability goals in the capital programme 	Treasurer
Audit and Risk Committee minutes	Chair of Audit and Risk
 Research integrity Internal Audit Annual report External Audit progress report Draft narrative for the Financial Statements 	Committee
Governance Committee report	Chair of Council
Review of the Delegation Framework	
Updates to University Ordinances	
Council member recruitment	
Use of the Common Seal	University Secretary

Date TBC (dedicated session with the full QMSU sabbatical team)

Strate	egic items
QMSU priorities and impact	QMSU President and team

Thursday 23 November 2023

S	trategic items
Deep dive on the future of education	Vice-Principal (Education)
QMSU Impact Report 2022–23	QMSU President

Assurance items		
Office for Students Annual Accountability Return:	Chair of Audit and Risk	
Audited financial statements for 2022–23	Committee	
Audit Committee's annual report for 2022–23	Treasurer	
 Internal auditor's annual report for 2022–23 	Chief Financial Officer	
External auditor's management letter and provider's	University Secretary	
management response for 2022–23		
Financial commentary		
Five-year financial forecasts		
Prevent Duty Annual Report 2022–23		
Academic assurance report	President and Principal	
Health, Safety and Fire Annual Report 2022–23	President and Principal	
Standing items		
Minutes and matters arising	University Secretary	
President and Principal's Report	President and Principal	
QMSU President's Report	QMSU President	
Current financial position	Chief Financial Officer	
Finance and Investment Committee minutes	Treasurer	
 Budget principles 2024–25 and approach to 2027–28 		
Student recruitment (KPI 6)		
 Financial performance of transnational education 		
Performance of subsidiary companies		
Audit and Risk Committee minutes	Chair of Audit and Risk	
Legal compliance	Committee	
Data assurance		
Remuneration Committee report	Vice-Chair of Council	
Review of the performance, objectives and remuneration		
of members of the Senior Executive Team		
Remuneration Annual Report		
Senate minutes	President and Principal	
Use of the Common Seal	University Secretary	

Thursday 28 March 2024

Strategic items		
Strategic Risk Register and KPIs	President and Principal	
 Updates on student recruitment (KPI 6); student 		
progression (KPI 7); and reputation (KPI 13)		
2024–25 Budget and financial forecasts	Chief Financial Officer	
Access and Participation Plan	Director of External Relations	
Assurance items		
QMSU Financial Statements 2022–23 and financial position	QMSU President / CEO	
Annual report on student casework	University Secretary	
Annual report on staff casework	Director of Human Resources	
Standing items		
Minutes and matters arising	University Secretary	
President and Principal's Report	President and Principal	
QMSU President's Report	QMSU President	
Current financial position	Chief Financial Officer	
Finance and Investment Committee minutes	Treasurer	
TRAC Return Results 2022–23		

 2024–25 Budget and financial forecasts 	
QMI Annual Report	
Audit and Risk Committee minutes	Chair of Audit and Risk
 Annual review of the appointments of the Internal Auditors and External Auditors 	Committee
 Update on the Internal Audit recommendations 	
External audit plan	
Senate minutes	President and Principal
Use of the Common Seal	University Secretary

Thursday 16 May 2023 (Short meeting)

Strategic items		
Deep dive on staff and student enterprise	CEO of Queen Mary Innovation	
Assurance items		
Environmental Sustainability Annual Report	VP Policy and Partnerships	
QMSU Returning Officer's election report	QMSU President	
Standing items		
Minutes and matters arising	University Secretary	
President and Principal's Report	President and Principal	
QMSU President's Report	QMSU President	
Current financial position	Chief Financial Officer	
Remuneration Committee report	Vice-Chair of Council	
Gender and ethnicity pay gaps		
Use of the Common Seal	University Secretary	

Friday 17 May 2024 (Conference)

Strategic items	
Review of Strategy 2030	President and Principal
Academic assurance	Faculty Vice-Principals

Thursday 11 July 2024

Strategic items		
Vice-Principal (Research and Innovation)		
Assurance items		
Chief Financial Officer University Secretary		
Standing items		
University Secretary		
President and Principal		
QMSU President		
Chief Financial Officer		
Treasurer		

Audit and Risk Committee minutes	Chair of Audit and Risk
Update on external risks	Committee
 Internal Audit plan 2024–25 	
Remuneration Committee report	Vice-Chair of Council
 Professorial and Grade 8 Reviews 	
Governance Committee report	Chair of Council
Senate minutes	President and Principal
Use of the Common Seal	University Secretary