

19/21 Risk Management

Received: i) a report by the University Secretary.

ii) a mapping of the OfS Regulations with regard to Public Interest Governance Principles setting how the University's arrangements address these requirements.

Noted: i) that the University was actively keeping abreast of risks relating to coronavirus;

ii) that 'HEIF' should be added to the list of acronyms;

CEB

iii) that the IT Infrastructure team have been testing a product which may further enhance filtering of 'spam' or similar in-coming emails which are often directed to senior staff;

iv) that the summary report on progress had been re-formatted to include further information on risk rating calculations as recommended by the recent internal audit.

v) that actions are in hand arising from a recent Home Office visit to review animals in science procedures;

vi) that the mapping of current practice against the OfS' list of public interest governance principles was helpful and members were content that it was accurate;

vii) that the requirement of 'probity' related to consideration of whether expenditure could be justified;

viii) that the University has engaged with a debate on the revised draft CUC code, and a formal submission in response to the consultation on the draft code would be submitted.

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Agreed: to recommend the mapping document on public interest governance principles to the Board

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19/22 Follow up on Previous Internal Audit Reports

Considered: a report from the University Secretary

Agreed: that progress with the completion of actions was positive with no major issue to report

19/23 Follow up on Internal Audit Reports 2019/20

Considered: i) a report from the internal auditors on progress with the 2019/20 Internal Audit Plan;

ii) Key Financial Controls- Payroll and Expenses;

iii) Mental Health and Wellbeing Arrangements for Students

iv) Departmental Review – Animal Production, Welfare and Veterinary Sciences.

Noted: i) that the Internal Audit Plan remained on track with the agreed timetable;

economic costs. The calculations relate to ASSUR, which the University has continued to use as a useful tool to inform the Board's assessment of sustainability. The process also considers performance against full economic cost;

viii) that bids were not being submitted without due authorisation;

ix) that it was pleasing to note positive engagement by staff across the University.

19/29 Date of Next Meeting

11 May 2020