Terms of Reference

1. To approve proposals for strategically significant developments and business opportunities to ensure that proposals are viable having, where appropriate, taken into account the view of the Senate.

2. To review progress against strategic priorities and to advise the Council on the sustainability of the institution.

3. To recommend, for approval by the Council, the redundancy of academic staff, where the recommendation is agreed by a redundancy subcommittee of SPRC (Mode of Operation 6 sets out the membership for this academic staff redundancy committee).

4. To agree the redundancy of academic-related staff, in accordance with relevant University procedures and report this to the Council.

5. To recommend, for approval by the Council, the University’s Fee and Financial Support Strategy and guidelines, and subsequently to approve the University fees on behalf of the Council.

6. To exercise such powers as may be delegated to the Committee by the Council or the Senate.

Membership

1. The Vice-Chancellor, Chair, ex officio.

2. The Pro-Chancellor, Deputy Chair, ex officio.

3. The Treasurer, ex officio.

4. The Vice-Chair of the Council, ex officio.

5. One member of the Council, who shall not be a member of staff or student of the University, appointed by the Council.

6. Four members from the Senate categories of Council membership appointed by the Council.

7. One member from the student categories of Council membership appointed by the Council.

In Attendance

8. One Executive Dean nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

9. One Pro-Vice-Chancellor nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

10. The University Secretary.

12. The Director of Strategy
13. The Chief Commercial and Strategy Officer
14. Other Vice-Chancellor’s Executive (VCE) members at the Vice-Chancellor’s request.

Mode of Operation

1. The Committee is a joint committee of the Council and the Senate and will report to the Council and the Senate as appropriate. Where issues being considered by the Committee require the approval of the Council, the Committee will, where appropriate, take account of the views of the Senate in making its recommendations.

2. Subject to the University's rules on the confidentiality of committee business, the Committee shall take appropriate steps to keep members of the University informed about its work.

3. The Committee shall normally meet annually to consider strategic performance, with other meetings being convened as required.

4. The Committee shall be quorate if 50% + 1 of its membership is present, of whom at least one member from each of categories 1, 3, and 6 are present plus a member from either category 4 or 5.

5. The Chair and Deputy Chair of the Committee shall have executive authority to act on its behalf in consultation (as appropriate) with other university officers and with the Secretary of the Committee.

6. The academic staff redundancy committee is a Council-appointed subcommittee of SPRC and will meet when necessary. Its membership consists of the Vice-Chancellor or nominee from the Vice-Chancellor’s Executive as Chair, two lay members of the Council and two members of academic staff from Senate, drawn from the membership of SPRC.

Secretary: Senior Manager, Governance
Membership

1. The Vice-Chancellor, Chair, *ex officio*
   
   Professor Tim Blackman

2. The Pro-Chancellor, Deputy Chair, *ex officio*
   
   Malcolm Sweeting

3. The Treasurer, *ex officio*
   
   Robert McCracken to 31.07.2027

4. The Vice-Chair of the Council, *ex officio*
   
   Professor John Brooks to 31.07.2025

5. One member of the Council, who shall not be members of staff or students of the University, appointed by the Council
   
   Professor Paul Gray to 31.07.2024

6. Four members from the Senate categories of Council membership appointed by the Council
   
   Rob Parker to 31.07.2026
   Hossam Kassem to 31.07.2026
   Carol Howells to 31.07.2024
   Professor Eileen Scanlon to 31.07.2024

7. One member from the student categories of Council membership appointed by the Council
   
   Margaret Greenaway to 31.07.2024

In Attendance

8. One Executive Dean nominated by the Vice-Chancellor
   
   To be confirmed

9. One Pro-Vice-Chancellor nominated by the Vice-Chancellor
   
   To be confirmed

10. The University Secretary
    
    Dave Hall
11. Chief Financial Officer
   Paul Traynor

12. The Director of Strategy
   Haf Merrifield

13. The Commercial Director
   Vacancy

14. Other Vice-Chancellor’s Executive (VCE) members at the Vice-Chancellor’s request.

Secretary: Frauke Constable