

University Management Board Summary
Items for Discussion/Decisions
13 December 2022

White City Campus - Activity Profile, Scale and Funding Options¹

- The UMB were supportive of the academic cases presented and it was agreed that focus should be on a thematic approach and interdisciplinarity, and that it would be important to retain flexibility whilst growing into new buildings.
- It was noted that careful review of the academic business model would be critical to ensure growth at a pace that maintains the quality of the academic mission and the College offering.
- The President informed UMB members about the next steps, including the deep dive UMB session in January and the governance arrangements, comprising the White City Programme Board and the White City Strategy Group.

Strategy Update – Civic, Societal and Global Engagement

- The Vice President (International), Associate Provost (Academic Partnerships) presented propositions on the Civic, Societal and Global Engagement workstream for the Strategy consultation in early 2023.
- It was agreed that the propositions raise important questions about the purpose of a university and its core mission, and the scale of the College's ambitions in this area.

UMB Committees

- The President presented the new structure of UMB Committees, which would be made operational from January 2023. The Committee's draft Terms of Reference were provided for information and would be further refined with Committee Chairs.

History Working Group Report

- The UMB reviewed the proposals from the History Working Group and agreed that 'retain and explain' was Imperial's policy and that dual naming would not be pursued.
- The Director of HR and Dean of the Business School were tasked to identify a package to recognise Professor Abdus Salam, discuss the ICU building with the ICU President and update the various parties involved before the work would be overseen by the People Committee.
- Following further discussion at the January UMB meeting, the decisions and ongoing work would be communicated to the community.

Workload Concerns Group

- The Dean of the Faculty of Medicine presented the findings from staff surveys relating to workload and the short, medium and long term recommendations to manage workload.
- It was agreed that the report would be presented to Heads of Department early in the new year and then return to UMB for further discussion.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the University Management Board will be held on Tuesday 31 January 2023.

¹Julie, McCann, Vice-Dean (Research) for the Faculty of Engineering in attendance

¹Paul French, Vice Dean (Research) for the Faculty of Natural Sciences in attendance

¹Leila Guerra, Vice Dean (Education) for the Business School in attendance

¹Eric Yeatman, Head of Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering in attendance