

Confirmed Minutes – including reserved items.

## Board of Governors – Extraordinary meeting

Held on 30 September 2024, at 11:00

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| Present:       | Neil Braithwaite<br>Jennifer Adams<br>Alison Davies<br>The Rt Revd Richard Frith<br>Prof. Karen Bryan OBE<br>Abinash Chaudhary<br>Dr Ernestine Gheyoh Ndzi<br>Andrew Chang<br>Brian Chiyesu<br>Andy Falconer<br>Mark Fordyce<br>Pauline Waterhouse OBE | Deputy Chair of the Board of Governors<br>Chair, Audit Committee<br>Chair, People Committee<br>Chair, Foundation Committee<br>Vice Chancellor<br>Student Governor<br>Staff Governor<br>Governor<br>Governor<br>Governor<br>Governor<br>Governor |
| Apologies:     | Dame Julia Unwin<br>Mohammed Ali OBE<br>The Very Revd Dominic Barrington<br>Dr Avijit Datta  | Chair of the Board of Governors<br>Governor<br>Governor<br>Governor   |
| In attendance: | Kathryn Kendon<br>Prof. Rob Mortimer<br>Dr Rob Hickey<br>Mia Bryden<br>Christopher Howell  | University Secretary & Registrar<br>PVC: Research & International<br>Chief Operating Officer<br>Head of Governance & Compliance<br>Minuting Secretary   |

### 01/24 Welcome and apologies

The Deputy Chair welcomed everyone and thanked governors and staff for accommodating this extraordinary meeting of the Board of Governors.

Apologies were noted. The Board noted that the Chair of the Board of Governors had discussed the process of establishing YSJ Innovations Ltd. and the related governance arrangements with the Deputy Chair and Executive Board last week.

### 02/24 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

**03/24 Establishing YSJ Innovations Ltd**

**Reserved minutes: commercially sensitive and Freedom of Information exempt**

Paper BoG.24.01.01 was received. The Pro Vice Chancellor: Research & International and the University Secretary & Registrar spoke to the item.

The paper provided the final proposed arrangements for establishing the wholly-owned subsidiary company, YSJ Innovations Ltd, to serve as the University's innovation and commercialisation arm. This followed previous conversations by Finance & Capital Development Committee and the Board of Governors.

**04/24 Any other business**

There was no other business.

**05/24 Dates of next meetings**

Thursday 21 November 2024 – Board of Governors' meeting

Friday 31 January 2025 – Discussion Day

Thursday 03 April 2025 – Board of Governors' meeting

Thursday 15 May 2025 – Joint meeting with the Academic Board

Thursday 10 July 2025 – Board of Governors' meeting