

ROBERT GORDON UNIVERSITY

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

A meeting of the Board of Governors will be held on **Thursday 9 March 2023** at **9.00 am** in the Conference Suite, National Subsea Centre, Dyce.

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02 March 2023

### Declarations of Interest

Members are required to declare an interest, as appropriate, in any matter due to be discussed.

### Publication of Board Papers

The Chair to ask Board members to consider, as we go through the agenda, whether there are any papers under discussion, that it would **not** be appropriate to publish on the intranet for access by staff and students.

## AGENDA A: ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

### Chair's Opening Remarks

#### 1. MINUTE

To approve: (a) Minute of the meeting held on 29 November 2022.  
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To note: (b) Matters arising.  
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#### 2. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To note: Report from the Principal.  
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#### 3. SUB-STRATEGIES

To consider: Update from Board Strategy Event held on 2 February 2023.  
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4. **NATIONAL SUBSEA CENTRE (NSC) BUSINESS PLAN**

To consider: (a) Report by the Vice-Principal for Research and Professor John McCall, Director, NSC.

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To receive: (b) Presentation by Professor John McCall, Director, NSC.

**A tour of the National Subsea Centre will take place followed by a coffee break.**

5. **SIR IAN WOOD BUILDING [Strictly Confidential]**

To consider: Progress update report from the Director of Estates and Property Services.

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6. **BUSINESS PLAN AND KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2022/23**

To approve: Report from the Vice-Principal for Strategy and Planning.

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7. **ANNUAL REPORT ON ENGAGEMENTS WITH NORTHEAST SCOTLAND COLLEGE**

To consider: Report from the Vice-Principal for Strategy and Planning.

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8. **STUDENTS' UNION ANNUAL REPORT AND BUDGET**

To consider: Report from the Director of Student Life and Chief Executive Officer.

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9. **STANDING COMMITTEES**

9.1 **Audit Committee**

To receive: (a) Oral report by the Convener on the meeting held on 9 February 2023.

To note: (b) Minute of the meeting held on 9 February 2023.

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9.2 **Finance and General Purposes Committee**

To receive: (a) Oral report by the Convener on the meeting held on 14 February 2023.

To note: (b) Minute of the meeting held on 14 February 2023.

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10. **HE INSTITUTIONS FINANCIAL FORECAST UPDATE (FFU) 2022-23**

To consider: <https://www.sfc.ac.uk/publications-statistics/calls-information/2023/SFCCI022023.aspx>

11. **MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT**

To approve: Report from the Director of Finance.

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12. **REVISED SCOTTISH CODE OF GOOD HIGHER EDUCATION GOVERNANCE**

To consider: Revised Scottish Code of Good Higher Education Governance.

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13. **CALENDAR OF MEETINGS AND BOARD VISITS N2023/24**

To note/discuss: (a) Proposed calendar of meetings for Session 2023/24.

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(b) Proposed Board Visits for 2023/24.

14. **VALEDICTORY**

**AGENDA B – ITEMS FOR NOTING**

15. **BOARD OF GOVERNORS: TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT**

- To note:
- (a) An induction event for new Board members Susan Elston and Gemma Barron was held on Friday 27 January 2022.
  - (b) All RGU staff and Board members are to complete online GDPR training by 13 March 2023.

16. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note: The next Board Strategy Event (9.00 am) and Board meeting (1.00 pm) will take place Thursday 29 June at 9.00 am in H230.