Purpose of the Report

In 2018, the Committee of University Chairs (CUC) published The Higher Education Senior Staff Remuneration Code ['the Code'], providing guidance for reporting matters of senior remuneration to the Board of Governors. The Code was formally adopted by the Board of Governors in July 2018. The Code was revised in November 2021 and noted by the Board in March 2022. The revisions focused on fairness, an appetite for sharing and learning and making transparency work. This Annual Report has been prepared based on the revised Code.

Context

The activities of the Remuneration Committee are reported to the Board of Governors via the Senior Remuneration Annual Report. The Board does not routinely receive full minutes of the Remuneration Committee's meetings, but these are available (to individual non-elected governors, on request) via the Governance Services Manager. If Freedom of Information (FOI) requests were received on the activities of the Remuneration Committee or related matters, the Board agreed in 2016 that the Senior Remuneration Annual Report would be the source of the information released, in lieu of the full minutes of the Committee, so as to respect the confidential nature of discussions around individuals' performance and remuneration.

The Board has agreed that the Senior Remuneration Annual *Statement*, which it is required to publish on the University's website, will be the same wording as the Senior Annual Remuneration Report, for transparency.

Membership of Remuneration Committee (RemCom)

During the academic year 2024/25, RemCom was chaired by Professor Patricia Hind, Emma van der Lugt and Prof John Scott, CBE (see table on page 3 for tenure details). All were Directly Appointed Independent Governors and also served as Joint Deputy Chair of the Board of Governors. In line with the Code's recommended practice, the Chair of the Board of Governors was a member of RemCom, but was not its chair.



It should be noted that the Vice-Chancellor is not a member of RemCom. They may attend, solely by invitation, and not for any discussions or decisions pertaining to their own performance or remuneration. The same principle applies to any staff members who may attend meetings of this committee to advise on specific matters, but not attend any element regarding their own performance or remuneration.

Membership of RemCom, during 2024/25 was as follows:

| Professor Patricia Hind | Directly Appointed | To 01.12.2024: Chair of RemCom; Joint |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | Governor, to | Deputy Chair of Board; Chair of Finance & |
| | 01.12.2024 | Resources (F&R) Committee; Chair of People |
| | | & Organisational Development (P&OD) Sub- |
| | | Committee |
| Emma van der Lugt | Directly Appointed | Deputy Chair of RemCom to 01.12.2024. From |
| | Governor, to | 02.12.2024 to 01.07.2025: Chair (interim) of |
| | 01.07.2025 | RemCom; Joint Deputy Chair of Board; Chair |
| | | of Audit Committee; Deputy Chair of P&OD |
| | | Sub-Committee |
| Professor Mark | Co-opted Board | Member of RemCom; Member of F&R |
| Llewellyn | Member; Directly | Committee. From 02.12.2024: Chair (interim) |
| | Appointed | of F&R Committee. From 12.07.2025: Chair of |
| | Governor from | the Board of Governors; Chair of Governance |
| | 01.12.2024 | & Nominations Committee; Deputy Chair of |
| | | F&R Committee. |



| Graham Raikes, MBE | Directly Appointed | To 12.07.2025: Member of RemCom; Chair of | | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Governor, to | Board; Chair of Governance & Nominations | | | | |
| | 12.07.2025 | Committee; Deputy Chair of F&R Committee; | | | | |
| | | Member of P&OD Sub-Committee; Membe | | | | |
| | | Digital & Physical Infrastructure Group (DPIG) | | | | |
| | | which became Digital & Physical Infrastructure | | | | |
| | | and Transformation (DPIT) Committee. | | | | |
| Professor John Scott, | Co-opted Board | Member of RemCom; Chair of RemCom from | | | | |
| СВЕ | Member; Directly | 02.07.2025; Member of Audit Committee; | | | | |
| | Appointed | Member of P&OD Sub-Committee; Deputy | | | | |
| | Governor from | Chair of P&OD Sub-Committee from | | | | |
| | 01.12.2024 | 01.12.2024. | | | | |
| Jackie Westerman | Directly Appointed | Member of RemCom; Deputy Chair of | | | | |
| | Governor | RemCom from 01.12.2024. Chair of P&OD | | | | |
| | | Sub-Committee. | | | | |

Schedule of Meetings and Attendance

RemCom convened three times in 2024/25. The business of the meetings is detailed later in this report. Attendance at each meeting was as follows:

| Members | 18.10.2024 | 06.12.2024 | 30.04.2025 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Professor Patricia Hind | ✓ | | |
| Emma van der Lugt | ✓ | √ | ✓ |
| Graham Raikes, MBE | ✓ | √ | √ |
| Professor Mark Llewellyn | √ | √ | ✓ |
| Professor John Scott, CBE | ✓ | √ | √ |
| Jackie Westerman | ✓ | √ | ✓ |



| Attendees | 18.10.2024 | 06.12.2024 | 30.04.2025 | |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Professor Claire Taylor (Vice-Chancellor) | √ (attendee) | | √ (attendee) | |
| Lucy Pengelly (Executive Director of People & | √ (attendee) | √ (attendee) | √ (attendee) | |
| Culture) | | | | |
| Amy Cox (Director of People) | | √ (attendee) | √ (attendee) | |
| Jessamie Thomas (Governance Officer; | √ (attendee) | | √ (attendee) | |
| note-taker) | | | | |

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Claire Taylor, withdrew from the Reserved Business element of meetings, which included any matters related to her own performance and remuneration.

The Basis and Scope of this Report/Statement

The University has used as a basis the Office for Students Guide, and the Code, and is reporting on the remuneration decisions applicable to the Vice-Chancellor and other senior post holders prescribed in the constitution or the remit of RemCom (see Appendix A for list of postholders). The remuneration of the Vice-Chancellor is published within the financial statements annually.

The Process for Setting Remuneration

At the time of this report, RemCom membership comprised those Board Members whose names are listed at the beginning of this report. The Vice-Chancellor is not a member of the Committee and the Chair of the Board, while a member, does not chair the Committee.

The Board of Governors delegates to RemCom full powers to act on its behalf and in its name in all matters relating to the terms and conditions of service and the emoluments of the holders of 'Senior Posts' as defined in the Articles of Association.

RemCom is responsible for considering and approving the senior staffing structure, performance development review summaries, total emoluments and conditions of service of senior post holders who report directly to the Vice-Chancellor.



The Committee will consider the appointment and, annually, the salary position of senior post holders as recommended by the Chair of the Board and Vice-Chancellor. The overall financial performance of the University is considered in any decisions surrounding senior remuneration.

The Articles of Association (the latest version of which were approved on 16 May 2022) dictate that Holder of Senior Posts include: the Vice-Chancellor, Chaplain and University Secretary, and such other post holders as the Governing Body may determine from time to time in accordance with Article 25.1.4, and "Holder of a Senior Post" shall be construed accordingly.

Remuneration of Executive Leadership Team (ELT)

Following a full discussion on the cost implications of decisions on pay, not only with regard to salary increases but also to the associated on-costs and the need to budget for these carefully, RemCom approved the application of inflationary pay increases (as agreed through national pay negotiations) to ELT salaries, from the academic year 2025/26. This would not include the deferred pay award 2024/25.

Performance and Remuneration of Vice-Chancellor

RemCom is responsible for determining on behalf of the Board of Governors the total emoluments and conditions of service of the Vice-Chancellor. The Committee confirms that the Vice-Chancellor was not present at any meeting during 2024/25 when her performance or remuneration were discussed. The Chair of the Board confirmed that an annual appraisal had taken place with the Vice-Chancellor.

At its meeting in April 2025, the Committee discussed and confirmed the Vice-Chancellor's KPIs, which had been set in line with the Marjon 2030 Strategy.

The Pay Multiple of the Vice-Chancellor

The Vice-Chancellor's basic salary is 4.4 times the median pay of staff (2024: 4.7 times), where the median pay is calculated on a full-time equivalent basis for the salaries paid by the provider to its staff.



The Vice-Chancellor's total remuneration is 4.9 times the median total remuneration of staff (2024: 4.9 times), where the median total remuneration is calculated on a full-time equivalent basis for the total remuneration by the provider of its staff.

Agreed Emoluments

Following discussion of the performance of Executive Leadership Team members against targets, in recognition of performance and responsibilities, RemCom approved the salary amendments as recommended by the Vice-Chancellor.

Bonus Payments

No bonus payments were made to the Vice-Chancellor or Executive Leadership Team members.

The Comparator Institutions/Organisations

The Committee seeks comparative information on salaries and other emoluments and conditions in the sector from the Universities and Colleges Employers' Association (UCEA) to inform decisions and ensure that all arrangements are unambiguous and diligently recorded.

Comparative data is referenced from post-92 universities and Higher Education Corporations (HECs) by institutional income in the 'up to £24m' bracket (where available) and '£24m to £70m' bracket, noting that the latter would include much bigger HEIs. Mission Group data from GuildHE and from Cathedrals Group where available is also used as a comparator.

The Policy on Income Derived from External Activities

It is often helpful to the University for its staff to hold non-executive director roles. Senior Staff complete annually a declaration concerning their Private Work Returns within the Personal Development Review system detailing any such roles. No members of ELT held such roles in year. The policy on income derived from external activities for Academic Staff is outlined in their contracts of employment and within the Consultancy Policy.

Expenses

All expenses paid to Senior Staff are in furtherance of the business of the University and comply with the University's Financial Regulations, which are approved annually by the Board of Governors and published on the University's website.

Further Information - Appendices to this Report

Appendix A - List of Postholders under the remit of Remuneration Committee

Appendix B - Senior Pay Policy

Appendix C - Committee Terms of Reference

Appendix D - Cycle of Business of Remuneration Committee and P&OD Sub-Committee

Matters considered by RemCom during 2024/25

Remuneration Committee – 18 October 2024:

- Minutes of the previous meeting were considered and approved. Action points and matters arising were reviewed.
- The Register of Interests was included with the papers and any updates invited.
- The Senior Remuneration Annual Report to the Board 2023-234 which included Vice-Chancellor pay ratio data, was considered and approved. The Committee would recommend to the Board that the Senior Remuneration Annual Report should also constitute the Senior Remuneration Annual Statement, to be published on the Plymouth Marjon University website.
- The Committee received a report from the Executive Director of People & Culture on the UCEA pay award.

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- The Committee received a report from the Vice-Chancellor and Executive Director of People
 & Culture on ELT roles, responsibilities and objectives.
- Reserved Business (The Vice-Chancellor was not in attendance for this element of the meeting):
 - Reserved Business Minutes of the previous meeting were considered and approved.
 - The Vice-Chancellor's objectives and key performance indicators (KPIs) were considered within a report presented by the Chair of the Board, Graham Raikes, MBE.

Extraordinary Remuneration Committee - 6 December 2024:

- Reserved Business (The Vice-Chancellor was not in attendance at this meeting).
 - Proposals relating to a senior staff restructuring process were discussed at this meeting.
 Subsequently, an addendum was issued and the proposals were approved.

Remuneration Committee – 30 Apil 2025:

- Minutes of the previous meeting were considered and approved.
- The Register of Interests was included with the papers and any updates invited.
- The Committee received a report from the Executive Director of People & Culture to provide a contextual update and a report on the UCEA pay award.
- The Committee received a report from the Executive Director of People & Culture to provide an update on the Voluntary Change Programme.
- The Committee received an update from the Executive Director of People & Culture on the Management Structure.
- The Committee received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on Executive Leadership Team,
 on (ELT) Performance and Remuneration, for approval.
- The Committee received a verbal update from Executive Director of People & Culture on recommendations of the Academic Promotion Panel with regard to Professorial Uplifts.
- The Committee received a report from the Vice-Chancellor on other Senior Staff salary increases and updates to positions, for approval.



- The Committee received a verbal update from Executive Director of People & Culture on USS Pension Section 75 debt.
- The Committee reviewed its effectiveness, in line with the Board Effectiveness Annual Review Cycle:
 - Committee Terms of Reference (as per the Articles of Association, 16 May 2022), were approved. These would be brought to the Governance & Nominations Committee and on to Board of Governors for annual consideration and approval. Please see Appendix C.
 - The Committee's Cycle of Business, and that of the People & Organisational
 Development Sub-Committee, which reports into Remuneration Committee, were
 confirmed. Please see Appendix D.
 - Membership, including Committee Chair and Deputy, was confirmed. This would be brought to the Governance & Nominations Committee and on to the Board of Governors for annual review and approval.
- Reserved Business (The Vice-Chancellor was not in attendance for this element of the meeting):
 - o Reserved Business Minutes of the previous meeting were considered and approved.
 - At the invitation of Committee Chair, Emma van der Lugt, Chair of the Board, Graham Raikes MBE, summarised his report on the Vice-Chancellor's KPIs, performance and remuneration.

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Appendix A - List of Postholders under the remit of Remuneration Committee in 2024/25

Professor Claire Taylor, Vice-Chancellor

Professor Michelle Jones, Deputy Vice-Chancellor & Provost

Ann Holman, Chief Operating Officer

Lucy Pengelly, Executive Director, People & Culture (to July 2025)

Stephen Plant, University Secretary & Registrar (to April 2025)

Karl Smith, Executive Finance Director (from May 2025)

David Soutter, Interim Chief Finance Officer (Sept 2024 to Mar 2025)

Katy Willis Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Success) (to April 2025)

Rev'd Michelle Parkman, Chaplain

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Appendix B – Senior Pay Policy

In line with the University values, the aim of this policy is to provide transparency and clarity, with regards to the process for remunerating senior staff.

1. Coverage

This policy covers the remuneration of the University's Executive Leadership Team, and other senior staff on the University's senior pay spine, Grade 10.

2. Principles

The University seeks to adhere to the following principles in determining pay for senior staff:

- a) The process for remunerating senior staff will be clear and transparent and in line with the Higher Education Senior Staff Remuneration Code, which the University formally adopted in 2018.
- b) The University will monitor actively the external market with the aim of remaining fully competitive with UK-based Post 92 institutions and the GuildHE Group. This includes consideration of salary levels in other institutions and whether there is a trend for senior salary reviews to be conducted, restricted or suspended.
- c) The University will use CUC guidance and other available data to benchmark and determine suitable pay rates. Pay increases will be clearly differentiated according to performance. Performance in line with position expectations will be rewarded with a pay increase that maintains pay competitiveness within the sector by application of any nationally negotiated pay award.
- d) The University will gear performance awards to those that are adding most value to the University. High or exceptional performance will be defined by reference to the strategic aims of the University.
- e) The financial framework for determining senior staff remuneration will consider the impact on total costs of employment, not just the cost of actual pay increases. This includes such considerations as the on costs of employment e.g. pension costs and national insurance contributions.
- f) The University will operate in line with Office for Students (OfS) guidance and 'have regard to' the ACEVO good pay guide, which is addressed to charities in general.
- g) Senior Post Holder remuneration should be determined in the context of the University's approach to rewarding all of its staff, and in particular, consideration should be given annually to the rate of increase of the average remuneration of all other staff.

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3. Pay Structure

UCEA National Pay Spine

The main university pay scale, in line with UCEA guidelines, runs from spine point 6-51, consisting of 8 different pay grades. This pay scale is administered through the HERA process to ensure proper grading of all staff.

Locally agreed senior pay spine

The locally agreed pay spine for senior staff runs from spine point 50 - 71, this is known as Grade 10. This is divided into 3 different pay bands.

The senior pay scale encompasses three categories: senior managers, such as Dean; Professors; some members of ELT. The senior staff pay spine expressly does not include posts at the level of Vice Chancellor and Deputy Vice Chancellor.

4. Senior Staff Performance Management

The performance management of senior staff will be conducted in line with the University Performance Development Review procedures, and where applicable, the University Probationary and/or Capability Procedures. Senior staff will have an annual PDR conducted through the iReview system, prior to any review of their salary.

The outcome of each senior staff member's PDR should be recorded as follows:

- a) Under performance the individual is not fulfilling many of their objectives as set out in their PDR and/or many of the expectations of the position as set out in the job description. This may include a failure to demonstrate the University's values and leadership behaviours. Under performance at this level will involve formal action through the University's Capability Procedure.
- b) Performance which falls short of expectations the individual is not meeting or fulfilling some of their objectives as set out in their PDR and/or some of the expectations of the position as set out in the job description. This may include a failure in demonstrating some of the University values and leadership behaviours. This reduction in performance is likely to have occurred or been identified in the last year. It will have been raised with the individual and supportive measures have been suggested to assist improvement.
- c) Performance meets expectations the individual is fully competent in their position, consistently achieving all or most of their objectives/performance expectations. The individual will also be consistently demonstrating the University values and leadership behaviours.
- d) **Performance exceeds expectations** the individual fulfils all responsibilities, exceeds objectives/performance expectations, is easily recognisable as a high performer.
- e) **Outstanding/exceptional performance** the individual makes an exceptional contribution to the University; a role model and star performer,

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The standard increase in line with the nationally agreed pay award, salary uplift or performance related bonus should correlate with the ratings, modified only where appropriate by any considerations relating to the external market or internal relativities.

5. Remuneration Increases and Awards

There are three categories for consideration; the nationally agreed annual pay award, salary uplift, and performance related bonus.

Any UCEA nationally agreed pay award agreed by the University for its staff willd automatically be applied to the salary of all Senior Managers (at the same time and on the same terms as for staff), rather than the award being at RemCom's discretion.

Salary uplifts will also depend on the category of Senior Manager. However, the general principles with salary uplifts will include confirmation of the individual's performance exceeding expectations or being considered as outstanding.

Any additional increases in base pay should be justified by reference to either a shift in the external market or enhanced contribution in the position as demonstrated through development in skills, responsibilities or profile that contribute to the strategic aims of the University, and sustaining that high level of performance over time. To inform the decision-making process the Director of People & Operations will provide the Remuneration Committee with indicative market ranges for the relevant jobs, based on reliable sources of survey data.

Performance related bonuses will only be awarded where the Senior Manager's performance exceeds expectations or is considered as outstanding. Performance related bonuses will not exceed £10,000 in all categories of Senior Managers.

In setting the financial envelope and guidelines for any senior salary review round, the Remuneration Committee may indicate that awards are restricted to performance related bonuses in a particular year as opposed to increases in base salary.

Performance related bonuses (i.e. awards that are not added into basic pay on a permanent basis) are payable for exceptional one -off achievements where it may not be evident that the same level of achievement is likely to be replicated in the future. Such payments are not pensionable because they are variable in nature (i.e. the same level of performance may not be replicated the following year).

If an individual is nominated for a performance related bonus in several consecutive years the Remuneration Committee may consider whether part or all of the award should be consolidated into basic pay, on the basis that the individual is demonstrating sustained exceptional contribution to the University.

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Performance related bonuses may also be made where there is clear evidence that an individual is already paid well relative to their peers, so it would be inappropriate to increase their basic salary. In these circumstances a performance related bonus, equivalent to what the individual would have received as a basic pay increase may be awarded.

6. Review Process

The annual review process, and timeline is detailed in diagram 1.

Diagram 1 Annual Review Process

Stage 1

• May/June - Agree the financial envelope available for increases

Stage 2

• June - October - PDRs conducted for all Senior Managers

Stage 3

 March - Director of People & Operations completes the annual UCEA Benchmark Report. Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor complete papers detailing pay recommendations for the applicable staff.

Stage 4

• **April** - Remuneration Committee takes place in line with the committee terms of reference.

Stage 5

 April - Communicate decisions to the senior staff and implement any salary changes, which will be with effect from 1st August.

The Director of People & Operations' report will be provided to the Remuneration Committee in advance of the meeting. The benchmark data will take due consideration of the context in which the University operates, and the size and turnover of the University.

In preparation for the Committee meeting, following the completion of the PDRs, the Vice-Chancellor and/or the Deputy Vice Chancellor will prepare papers detailing the pay recommendations for the applicable staff. These reports will link to the value delivered by an individual in position. The paper should include detail on the following criteria:

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- complexity (scale and range of decision making, collaboration and contact, timecritical activity);
- impact (on students, research, finances and people, including employees, partners and citizens);
- discretion (level of accountability, degree of autonomy and decision-making authority);
- levels of experience;
- knowledge and skills (including specialist skills) required;
- reputation and academic/professional credibility needed for the role;
- an ability to recruit and retain key staff; and
- external comparisons.

The Remuneration Committee will operate in line with its Terms of Reference and with due consideration of the CUC HE Senior Staff Remuneration Code. The Remuneration Committee will also be formulated, and will operate, in accordance with the University values and equality procedures.

The review process for each category of Senior Manager is detailed as follows:

a) Senior Managers on the main University Pay Scale, Grade 9.

- Any UCEA nationally agreed pay award agreed by the University for its staff
 will automatically be applied to the salary of all Senior Managers (at the same
 time and on the same terms as for staff), so this does not need to come to
 Remuneration Committee.
- Any salary uplift within the main pay scale is subject to the standard HR process (HERA Higher Education Role Analysis). This process is designed to determine objectively any entitlement to an increase, which should then be implemented. The Remuneration Committee should therefore be notified annually of these salaries and may want to advise the Vice-Chancellor, or Deputy Vice-Chancellor, that a particular salary looks misaligned in comparison to the sector.
- Any performance-related bonus for an individual Senior Manager should be determined by the Remuneration Committee, informed by the Vice-Chancellor's or Deputy Vice Chancellor's recommendations following the defined performance outcome of their PDR.

These principles should also apply to the other member of staff for whom the Remuneration Committee has salary responsibilities – the University Chaplain.

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b) Senior Managers on the Local Senior Pay Scale, Grade 10.

- Any UCEA nationally agreed pay award agreed by the University for its staff will automatically be applied to the salary of all Senior Managers (at the same time and on the same terms as for staff), so this does not need to come to Remuneration Committee.
- Remuneration Committee will determine any salary uplift and/or performance-related bonus, informed by the Vice-Chancellor's or Deputy Vice Chancellor's recommendations following the defined performance outcome of their PDR.
- For internal promotions, the starting salary within this pay scale should come
 as the Vice-Chancellor's recommendation to Remuneration, and this decision
 should be made by email rather than waiting for one of Remuneration
 Committee's twice-yearly meetings. The Remuneration Committee may
 choose to delegate this authority to the Chair of the Remuneration
 Committee working with the Vice-Chancellor.
- For external Senior Manager appointments, the starting salary shall be determined by the Vice-Chancellor in conjunction with those Governors on the interview panel.

c) Professors on the Local Senior Pay Scale, Grade 10.

Their starting salary depends on our standard practice and market variations. That is, not all Professors in all disciplines are paid the same.

- Any UCEA nationally agreed pay award agreed by the University for its staff
 will automatically be applied to the salary of Professors on the Local Senior
 Pay Scale, Grade 10 (at the same time and on the same terms as for staff), so
 this does not need to come to Remuneration Committee.
- The Vice-Chancellor shall have the authority to determine Professors' starting salaries within the agreed pay scale.
- Salary uplifts for Professors, beyond the nationally agreed inflationary uplift will be confirmed by the Remuneration Committee, who will receive recommendations from the University Academic Promotions Board.

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d) ELT members

- Any UCEA nationally agreed pay award agreed by the University for its staff will automatically be applied to the salary of ELT members (at the same time and on the same terms as for staff), so this does not need to come to Remuneration Committee.
- Remuneration Committee will determine any salary uplift and/or performance-related bonus, informed by the Vice-Chancellor's recommendations following the defined performance outcome of the individual's PDR.
- For external appointments at this level, the starting salary shall be determined by the Vice-Chancellor in conjunction with those Governors on the interview panel.

e) Vice-Chancellor

- Remuneration Committee will decide whether the nationally agreed annual pay award is granted.
- Remuneration Committee will determine any salary uplift and/or performance-related bonus, informed by the Chair of Board's recommendations following the defined performance outcome of their PDR.
- Any decision made by Remuneration Committee will be reported verbally to the Vice-Chancellor by the Chair of Board in the first instance and in writing by the Director of People & Operations.

Members of ELT will not be present in the meeting for the discussion and decision about their own remuneration.



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Appendix C – Remuneration Committee Terms of Reference

Serviced by: Governance Services Manager

Reports to: Board of Governors

1. Constitution

The Board of Governors has established a Committee known as the Remuneration Committee.

2. Membership and Quorum

2.1 The Remuneration Committee composition must include the Chair of the Board of Governors, be composed of a majority of Governors and have appropriate experience available to it.

2.2 Members:

- Chair of the Board of Governors
- Chair or member of the Finance & Resources Committee
- Chair or member of the Audit Committee
- Other Governors
- Co-opted members as required

In attendance (as required):

- Vice-Chancellor (not for matters relating to their own performance or remuneration)
- Deputy Vice-Chancellor (not for matters relating to their own performance or remuneration)
- Chief Operating Officer
- Director of People
- Governance Services Manager (minute-taker)
- 2.3 The Chair of the Board shall not be eligible to chair the Committee. An Elected Governor may be a member of the Committee, or may attend meetings (without being a member) at the invitation of the Committee Chair (under Article 27.4 of the Articles of Association).
- 2.4 The Committee has the discretion to invite relevant officers to attend the meeting for specified items, including the Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellor. Any member of staff, including the Vice-Chancellor, should withdraw from the Committee when their own salary, terms and conditions or severance payments are under consideration. The Committee may meet without any officers present.



- 2.5 The Committee may co-opt additional members with knowledge of the salaries, terms and conditions of service of senior staff in Higher Education.
- 2.6 The meeting shall be quorate when the Chair (or Deputy) and two Committee members are present, the majority of whom must be 'Nominated' governors, ie Directly Appointed, Bishop, National Society.

3. Frequency of meetings

3.1 The Committee shall normally meet at least once per year to carry out the annual review of senior staff salaries and conditions; a special meeting will be convened if required arising from the recruitment, resignation or retirement of one of the senior staff within its remit.

4. Authority

- 4.1 The Board of Governors delegates to the Committee full powers to act on its behalf and in its name in all matters relating to the terms and conditions of service and the emoluments of the holders of 'Senior Posts' as defined in the Articles of Association.
- 4.2 The Committee is not authorised to make decisions on those issues which are properly the responsibility of the full Board of Governors.
- 4.3 The Committee delegates responsibility for consideration of human resources matters to the People & Organisational Development Sub-Committee.

5. Duties

- 5.1 To consider and approve the structure of senior staff, defined in the Senior Pay Policy.
- 5.2 To consider the performance development reviews of senior staff.
- 5.3 To determine on behalf of the Board of Governors, at least annually, and according to the Senior Pay Policy, the total emoluments and conditions of service of senior post holders¹. This may include senior managers on the main university pay scale, on the local senior pay scale on or above grade 10, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor. The University Chaplain will also be considered within the remit of the Senior Pay Policy, as per the Articles of Association.

 $^{^{\, 1}}$ The Articles of Association dictate that Holders of Senior Posts include :

^{- &}quot;The Vice-Chancellor, Chaplain and University Secretary, and such other postholders as the Governing Body may determine from time to time in accordance with Article 25.1.4"



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The Committee will seek comparative information on salaries and other emoluments and conditions in the sector from the Universities and Colleges Employers' Association (UCEA) to inform decisions and ensure that all arrangements are unambiguous and diligently recorded.

- 5.4 The Committee will consider the appointment and, annually, the salary position of senior post holders as recommended by the Chair of the Board and Vice-Chancellor.
- 5.5 To determine, on behalf of the Board of Governors, severance arrangements for staff as defined as senior post holders.
- To ensure that all conditions of service comply with the requirements of employment law, including equal opportunity legislation.
- 5.7 To consider the public interest and the safeguarding of public funds alongside the interests of the institution when considering all forms of payment, reward and severance to the staff within its remit.
- 5.8 The Committee shall conduct its business in accordance with the Articles of Association, the Terms and Conditions of funding between the OfS and the University, and the CUC Higher Education Senior Staff Remuneration Code.

6. Reporting procedures

- 6.1 The minutes of meetings of the Remuneration Committee will remain confidential but will be available on request to Governors, the Internal and External Auditors.
- 6.2 The Committee must report on its decisions and operation at least annually to the Board of Governors; such a report should not normally be withheld from any members of the Board of Governors.

Appendix D – Cycle of Business of Remuneration Committee and People & Organisational Development Sub-Committee

| Key: amber = agenda item as appropriate | | M1 P&OD Sub | M1 RemCom | M2 RemCom | M2 P&OD Sub |
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| Remuneration Committee and People & Organisational Development Sub-Committee | | 08-Oct-24 | 18-Oct-24 | 30-Apr-25 | 17-Jun-25 |
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| Governance & Housekeeping | | | | | |
| To review any actions arising from the previous meeting. | Information | x | X | х | x |
| To consider the effectiveness of Committee, approve ToR, membership, confirm Chair/Dep, next year's meeting dates, CoB | Approval | | | x | x |
| Performance, Policy & Remuneration | 1 | | | | |
| To Consider and Approve the Senior Remuneration Annual Report to the Board | Approval | | x | | |
| To Consider and Approve the Structure of Senior Staff | Approval | | x | | |
| To consider and approve the structure of serior staff To consider and approve the remuneration for Executive Leadership Team, the award of any bonus | Approvat | | ^ | | |
| payments and award of inflationary salary increase. Benchmarking data to be provided, for comparison with sector norms and rewards system for all staff. VC to attend in advisory capacity regarding senior staff. | Approval | | | х | |
| To consider and approve the recommendations of Academic Promotion Panel with regard to professorial uplifts | Approval | | | x | |
| To approve any other Senior Staff salary increases and bonus payments and comparison with the sector norm and Rewards System for all staff | Approval | | | х | |
| To note inflationary salary increases - ie UCEA Pay Award | Approval | | x | х | |
| To consider USS financial risk and implications | Information | | x | | |
| To review Senior Pay Policy | Discussion | | x | х | |
| To review terms and conditions of staff | Discussion | | x | | |
| To determine severance arrangements for senior staff, as and when required | Approval | | x | x | |
| To consider a contextual update/assurance on relevant risks associated with this committee | Information | | x | x | |
| To receive a People Strategy Update, to cover key strands and action plan | Discussion | x | | | x |
| To receive a People Update, including turnover and absence rates | Information | | | | x |
| To consider Staff Survey outcomes | Information | | | | x |
| To receive an update on any new employment/payroll/pension legislation that came into effect in April | Information | | | | x |
| End of meeting – does any of today's discussion impact on current risk register – any proposed changes? | Discussion | x | x | x | x |
| RESERVED BUSINESS | | | | | |
| To confirm the Reserved Business Minutes of the previous meeting | Approval | x | x | x | х |
| To review the Vice-Chancellor's KPIs | Approval | | x | х | |
| To provide a report on the performance of the Vice-Chancellor | Discussion | | | х | |
| To consider and approve the remuneration for Vice-Chancellor and the award of any bonus payments. Benchmarking data to be provided, for comparison with sector norms and rewards system for all staff. The Vice-Chancellor will not be present for this item. | Approval | | | × | |
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