

**UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE**

**UNIVERSITY COURT**

A meeting of the University Court was held on 3 September 2007.

*(Note: this brief business meeting formed part of the annual Court Retreat.)*

**Present:** Mr JR Milligan (in the Chair), Principal Sir Alan Langlands, Rector Mr C Murray, Professor RJ Abboud, Mr M Arnott, Mr WI Ball, Mr MPF Bogunovic (President of the Students' Association), Professor A Burchell, Dr JR Elliott, Dr A Goligher, Mr BWM Johnston, Dr J Lowe, Dr H Marriage, Professor GJ Mires, Ms A Newton, Dr AM Roger, Dr LAL Rolland, Mr EF Sanderson, Mr IDM Wright.

**In Attendance:** Vice-Principals Professor AH Anderson, Professor DH Boxer, Professor J Calderhead, Professor IM Leigh and Professor CA Whatley, Professor MAJ Ferguson, Secretary, Acting Director of Finance, Director of Information Services & Deputy Secretary, Directors of Human Resources, Strategic Planning and Admissions & Student Recruitment and Clerk to Court.

The Chairman extended welcomes to Professor Mires, Mr Ball and Mr Bogunovic to their first Court meeting and to Mr Wright on his return to the Court.

**68. DEED OF ACCESSION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A SALARY SACRIFICE SCHEME WITHIN THE UNIVERSITIES SUPERANNUATION SCHEME (USS)**

The Acting Director of Finance explained the need for the University to enter into a Supplemental Deed of Accession with the USS in order to be able to implement a salary sacrifice scheme. Such a scheme had been one of the recommendations in the sustainability review, approved by Court on 19 February 2007. The scheme would enable the University to reduce both employees' and employer's National Insurance contributions, thereby increasing the net salary of staff taking advantage of the scheme. The Committee was assured that the deed was a procedural matter, and that further discussions with staff and the Unions would take place before the scheme itself was introduced.

**The Court decided:** to approve that the University enter into the Supplemental Deed of Accession with the Universities Superannuation Scheme.

**69. MERGER OF THE COLLEGE OF NURSING & MIDWIFERY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE SUPERANNUATION SCHEMES**

The Court received a report from an Emergency Committee outlining its decision to approve the payment of £200k to maintain the funding levels in the University of Dundee Superannuation Scheme following merger with the College of Nursing & Midwifery Scheme.

**The Court decided:** to homologate the decision of its Emergency Committee to approve the payment of £200k for this purpose.