

**ORDERS APPROVED AT THE PRIVY COUNCIL HELD BY THE  
QUEEN AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE ON 15TH JULY 2015**

**COUNSELLORS PRESENT**

**The Rt Hon Chris Grayling (Lord President)  
The Rt Hon Patrick McLoughlin  
The Rt Hon Baroness Stowell of Beeston  
The Rt Hon John Whittingdale**

Proclamations	<p>Eight Proclamations:—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. appointing Monday 28th December 2015, Friday 1st January 2016 and Monday 2nd May 2016 as bank holidays in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and appointing Tuesday 12th July 2016 as a bank holiday in Northern Ireland;</li><li>2. determining the specifications and designs for a new series of five hundred pound and five pound gold coins; a new series of ten pound and five pound silver coins celebrating the christening of Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte of Cambridge;</li><li>3. determining the specifications and design for five pound coins celebrating Her Majesty The Queen becoming the longest reigning monarch in British history;</li><li>4. determining the specifications and design for ten pound coins commemorating the hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War;</li><li>5. determining the specifications and design for a new series of one thousand pound and ten pound gold coins; a new series of five hundred pound, twenty pound and ten pound silver coins;</li><li>6. determining the specifications and design for a new series of one thousand pound, five hundred pound, one hundred pound and ten pound gold coins; a new series of five hundred pound, ten pound and two pound silver coins;</li><li>7. determining the specifications and design for a new one hundred pound coin in silver;</li></ol>
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	<p>8. determining the specifications and design for a new two pound silver coin;</p> <p>and eight Orders directing the Lord Chancellor to affix the Great Seal to the Proclamations.</p>
Charter Amendments	<p>Eight Orders amending the Charters of:—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Heriot-Watt University;</li> <li>2. The Chartered Institute of Taxation;</li> <li>3. Aston University;</li> <li>4. The University of Bradford;</li> <li>5. The Worshipful Company of Carmen;</li> <li>6. The College of Emergency Medicine;</li> <li>7. The Officers' Association;</li> <li>8. Chartered Institute of Housing</li> </ol>
Public Appointments	Public Appointments Order in Council 2015.
Saint Helena Act 1833	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The South Sudan (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) (Amendment) Order 2015 (SI);</li> <li>2. The Syria (Restrictive Measures) (Overseas Territories) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2015 (SI).</li> </ol>
Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923	<p>Two Orders approving Statutes of:—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Merton College, Oxford;</li> <li>2. Wadham College, Oxford.</li> </ol>

Universities (Scotland) Act 1966	Order approving an Ordinance of the University of Glasgow.
European Communities Act 1972	The European Communities (Designation) (No. 2) Order 2015 (SI).
Ministers of the Crown Act 1975	The Transfer of Functions (Police and Crime Commissioner Elections) Order 2015 (SI).
Education (Scotland) Act 1980	Order appointing Ian Paul Beach as one of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Education in Scotland.
Antarctic Act 1994	The Antarctic Act 1994 (Isle of Man) (Amendment) Order 2015 (SI).
Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002	The Scottish Public Services Ombudsman Act 2002 Amendment Order 2015 (SI).
Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004	The Fire and Rescue Services (Appointment of Inspector) (Wales) Order 2015 (SI).
Education and Inspections Act 2006	The Inspectors of Education, Children's Services and Skills (No. 3) Order 2015 (SI).
Government of Wales Act 2006	The National Assembly for Wales (Disqualification) Order 2015 (SI).

Immigration, Asylum and Nationality Act 2006	The Immigration (Jersey) Order 2015 (SI).
Immigration Act 2014	The Immigration (Guernsey) Order 2015 (SI).
Jersey	<p>Four Orders approving the following Acts of the States of Jersey:—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Jersey) Law 2015;</li> <li>2. The Aircraft Registration and Air Navigation (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Law 2015;</li> <li>3. The Criminal Procedure (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Law 2015;</li> <li>4. The Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Liability and Compensation) (Jersey) Law 2015.</li> </ol>
Isle of Man	<p>Order approving the “Crown Patronage (Isle of Man) Order 2015”;</p> <p>Order approving the “Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure (Isle of Man) 2015”;</p> <p>Order approving the “Patronage (Amendment) Measure (Isle of Man) 2015”.</p>
Petitions	<p>Order referring a Petition of the Greenock Chamber of Commerce and Manufactures, praying for the grant of a Supplementary Charter, to a Committee of the Privy Council.</p> <p>Order referring a Petition of The Institute of Practitioners in Advertising, praying for the grant of a Charter of Incorporation, to a Committee of the Privy Council.</p>



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2015

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain do cause the Great Seal of the Realm to be affixed to the Proclamation of this day's date, appointing Monday 28th December 2015, Friday 1st January 2016 and Monday 2nd May 2016 as bank holidays in England, Wales and Northern Ireland and appointing Tuesday 12th July 2016 as a bank holiday in Northern Ireland under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971.

*Richard Tilbrook*



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It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain do cause the Great Seal of the Realm to be affixed to the Proclamation of this day's date, determining the specifications and designs for a new series of five hundred pound and five pound gold coins; a new series of ten pound and five pound silver coins celebrating the christening of Her Royal Highness Princess Charlotte of Cambridge.

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It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain do cause the Great Seal of the Realm to be affixed to the Proclamation of this day's date, determining the specifications and design for five pound coins celebrating Her Majesty The Queen becoming the longest reigning monarch in British history.

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It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain do cause the Great Seal of the Realm to be affixed to the Proclamation of this day's date, determining the specifications and design for ten pound coins commemorating the hundredth anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War.

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It is this day ordered by Her Majesty in Council that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain do cause the Great Seal of the Realm to be affixed to the Proclamation of this day's date, determining the specifications and design for a new two pound silver coin.

*Richard Tilbrook*



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2015

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty has allowed amendments to the Charter of Heriot-Watt University as set out in the Schedule to this Order with effect from 1st September 2015.

*Richard Tilbrook*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF HERIOT-WATT UNIVERSITY

**Delete** Articles 1 to 28 and **substitute**:

**“1. Definition of the University**

- 1.1. There shall continue to be a body politic and corporate by the name of “Heriot-Watt University” (hereafter called “the University”) which was constituted in 1966 with perpetual succession and a Common Seal.
- 1.2. The Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor(s), the Principal, the Vice-Principal, and such other vice- and deputy principal or similarly titled officers as may be instituted, the Secretary, the Deans and such other persons and bodies corporate that are specified and defined by Ordinance from time to time shall, wherever in the world located, be Members of the University pursuant to the Charter and the Statutes.

**2. Further Definitions and Interpretation**

- 2.1. In the Charter and the Statutes:

“Academic Staff” means those Staff listed as academic staff in the Ordinances as amended from time to time;

“Chancellor” means the Chancellor of the University;

“Charity Trustees” means charity trustees as defined in the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005;

“Charter” means the Charter of the University;

“Chief Accounting Officer and Chief Executive Officer” means the person with overall responsibility for the executive management of the institution who is accountable to the Court for the exercise of these responsibilities and to the Scottish Further and Higher Education Funding Council or its successor body for the use of public funds;

“Common Seal” means the common seal of the University;

“Court” means the Court of the University;

“Dean” means a member of the Academic Staff who represents the academic community and whose constituency, responsibilities and process of appointment as a Dean are defined in the Ordinances;

“External Auditor” has the meaning given to it in the Statutes;

“Heriot-Watt Group” means those entities associated with the University whether by ownership of shares or otherwise and which the Court determines should form part of the Heriot-Watt Group for the purposes of the Charter and Statutes, and who are listed in the Ordinances as amended from time to time;

“Objects” means the objects of the University set out in Article 3 of this Charter;

“Officer of the University” means each of the Principal/Vice-Chancellor, the Vice-Principal and the Secretary;

“Ordinances” means Ordinances made under the Charter and Statutes and “Ordinance” shall be construed accordingly;

“Ordinary Resolution” means a resolution passed by a simple majority present at a meeting of the Court;

“Principal” means the Principal and Vice-Chancellor and Chief Accounting Officer and Chief Executive Officer of the University;

“Pro-Chancellor” means any Pro-Chancellor of the University;

“Professional Services Staff” means those Staff listed as professional services staff in the Ordinances as amended from time to time;

“Regulations” means Regulations made under the Charter and the Statutes or the Ordinances;

“Research Staff” means those Staff listed as research staff in the Ordinances as amended from time to time;

“School” means any primary academic unit of the University devoted to one or more academic disciplines;

“Secretary” means the Secretary of the University;

“Senate” means the Senate of the University;

“Special Resolution” means a resolution passed at a meeting of the Court, provided that notice of the meeting setting out the proposed resolution in full, is given to each member of the Court not less than fourteen clear days before the meeting and that the resolution is passed by a majority of not less than three fourths of the members of the Court present;

“Staff” means all persons employed by the University or by any member of the Heriot-Watt Group;

“Statement of Primary Responsibilities” means the statement of primary responsibilities adopted by the Court pursuant to Article 5.2 from time to time;

“Statutes” means the Statutes of the University and “Statute” shall be construed accordingly;

“Students” means persons pursuing a programme of study of the University as further prescribed in the Ordinances;

“Student Union” means an association of Students devoted to the educational interest and welfare of its members as further prescribed in the Ordinances; and

“Vice-Principal” means the Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University.

- 2.2. Words defined in the Charter shall have the same meaning in the Statutes, the Ordinances and the Regulations unless the context requires otherwise.
- 2.3. The headings used in the Charter and in the Statutes, the Ordinances and the Regulations, are provided for reference only and are not intended to have legal effect.
- 2.4. Unless the context requires otherwise, words in the singular shall include the plural and words in the plural shall include the singular and words importing the masculine shall be construed as including the feminine or the neuter or vice versa.
- 2.5. In construing the Charter, the rule known as the ejusdem generis rule shall not apply nor shall any similar rule or approach to the construction of the Charter

and accordingly general words introduced or followed by the word “other” or “including” or “in particular” shall not be given a restrictive meaning because they are followed or preceded (as the case may be) by particular examples intended to fall within the meaning of the general words.

### **3. Objects of the University**

- 3.1. The University shall engage in, and promote, original research and shall be a teaching, examining and awarding body. Its objects shall be to advance education, knowledge and wisdom by research, knowledge exchange, scholarship, learning and teaching, for the benefit of individuals and society at large.

### **4. Powers of the University**

- 4.1. Subject to the Charter and the Statutes, the University shall have all the powers of a natural person to do all lawful acts and things that are conducive to or incidental to the furtherance of any one or more of the Objects of the University, including the powers set out in Articles 4.2 to 4.10 as follows.

- 4.2. In relation to teaching and research:

- 4.2.1. to provide programmes of study and instruction;
- 4.2.2. to prescribe in the Regulations the conditions under which people may be admitted to programmes of study on the basis of their qualifications and experience;
- 4.2.3. to set the level of fees in respect of programmes and to require payment of such fees;
- 4.2.4. to prescribe and administer examinations and other forms of assessment;
- 4.2.5. to prescribe in the Regulations the conditions under which degrees and other education awards (including honorary awards) shall be conferred by the University in its own name or jointly with other institutions;
- 4.2.6. to institute and award Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions, Bursaries and Prizes, and other grants for the encouragement of research, knowledge exchange, scholarship, learning and teaching;
- 4.2.7. to carry out research; and
- 4.2.8. to withdraw awards conferred by the University.

- 4.3. In relation to Students:



- 4.3.1. to provide rules and procedures for the discipline of Students in the Regulations;
  - 4.3.2. to provide procedures for the hearing of complaints; and
  - 4.3.3. to provide procedures for the consideration of academic appeals.
- 4.4. In relation to Staff:
- 4.4.1. to employ or engage Staff in such positions as may be required, and to prescribe their terms and conditions of service (unless otherwise set out in the Ordinances);
  - 4.4.2. to institute such offices as the purposes of the University may require, to appoint persons to and remove persons from such offices, and to prescribe their terms and conditions of service (unless otherwise set out in the Ordinances); and
  - 4.4.3. to provide procedures for the hearing of complaints.
- 4.5. In relation to other institutions:
- 4.5.1. to affiliate with other institutions, or branches or departments of other institutions;
  - 4.5.2. to co-operate and collaborate with other institutions;
  - 4.5.3. to confer degrees and other education awards with other institutions; and
  - 4.5.4. to incorporate into the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group any other institution and take over its rights, property, liabilities and obligations, for any purpose not inconsistent with the Charter.
- 4.6. In relation to the provision of services and goods, within applicable limits:
- 4.6.1. to exploit for the University's benefit a facility or resource of the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group, including study, research, or knowledge, or the practical application of study, research or knowledge, belonging to the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group, whether alone or with someone else;
  - 4.6.2. to sell books, and other learning resources, intellectual property and other goods and services consistent with the Charter;
  - 4.6.3. to print, reproduce and publish research and other works initiated by the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group, or to provide for their printing, reproduction and publication in whatever format; and

- 4.6.4. to establish, maintain, administer, govern, license and supervise places of residence and other facilities for the wellbeing of Students and Staff.
- 4.7. In relation to the transaction of University business:
  - 4.7.1. to enter into contracts;
  - 4.7.2. to acquire, hold, dispose of and deal with property or any interest in property;
  - 4.7.3. to charge and receive fees;
  - 4.7.4. to raise funds;
  - 4.7.5. to act as trustee or manager of any property or funds given or bequeathed to the University for purposes of education or research or the welfare or other Objects of the University, and to invest any such funds or otherwise reduce the risk of loss to such funds;
  - 4.7.6. to borrow money and for that purpose to grant securities over, to mortgage or charge all or any part of the property of the University, whether heritable or moveable, real or personal, and to give such other security as the University may deem fit;
  - 4.7.7. to give guarantees for the payment of any sum or sums of money or performance of any contract or obligation by any company, body, society or person in the interests of the University to do so;
  - 4.7.8. to apply for or otherwise acquire either alone or in conjunction with any institutions or institution or with any public or other bodies or body or with any other persons or person, Letters Patent or patent rights; and
  - 4.7.9. to acquire armorial bearings, which shall be duly matriculated in our Public Register of Arms and Bearings in Scotland.
- 4.8. In relation to the Court, having due regard to the Statement of Primary Responsibilities and subject to the Charity and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and any successor and subordinate legislation, to pay remuneration to a member or members of the Court in respect of his, her or their services as a member of the Court as may be prescribed in the Ordinances.
- 4.9. To do anything else necessary or convenient, whether incidental to these powers or not, in order to further the Objects of the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group as places of education, learning and teaching, research, knowledge exchange and scholarship.
- 4.10. The University may exercise its powers both within and outwith the United Kingdom and by whatever means the University may deem fit including the

establishment of bodies corporate who may be members of the Heriot-Watt Group.

## **5. The Court**

- 5.1. There shall be a Court of the University. The Court shall be the governing body of the University with general control of the management and administration of the University and shall act in a way that promotes the University's interests.
- 5.2. The Court shall adopt and at all times act in accordance with a Statement of Primary Responsibilities which shall include provisions relating to the performance of the Court's primary responsibilities in accordance with accepted principles of good governance for a university. The Statement of Primary Responsibilities shall be published widely.
- 5.3. Except to the extent set out herein, the constitution of the Court, the manner of election and period of office of its members and the manner of filling vacancies in its membership shall be prescribed in the Statutes.
- 5.4. The Court shall direct the form, custody and use of the Common Seal.

## **6. The Functions of the Court**

- 6.1. In addition to the functions of the Court set out in the Statutes, the Court's functions shall be to:
  - 6.1.1. be ultimately responsible for oversight of the affairs of the University;
  - 6.1.2. set and approve the University's strategic direction, vision and mission;
  - 6.1.3. ensure the effective management and control of the University's affairs, property and finances through the establishment of systems of internal control;
  - 6.1.4. ensure the effective management and administration of the University's Staff and the Students;
  - 6.1.5. determine the structure, staffing and overall composition of the University; and
  - 6.1.6. appoint the Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor(s), Principal, Vice-Principal and Secretary.

## **7. The Powers of the Court**

- 7.1. Subject to the Charter, and in furtherance of its role as the University's governing body, the Court shall exercise all the powers of the University, and without limiting the foregoing, the Court has the specific powers set out in the

Charter, the Statutes and the Ordinances. In exercise of such powers the Court comprises the Charity Trustees of the University.

## **8. Delegation by the Court**

8.1. Subject to Article 8.3 below, the Court may delegate its powers under the Charter, the Statutes and the Ordinances to:

- 8.1.1. a member of the Court;
- 8.1.2. a committee of the Court or an oversight board;
- 8.1.3. a joint committee of the Court and the Senate;
- 8.1.4. an Officer of the University;
- 8.1.5. the Senate; or
- 8.1.6. a member of the Heriot-Watt Group,

or such other persons or bodies as may from time to time be prescribed in the Ordinances.

8.2. Where the Court has delegated any powers to a member of the Heriot-Watt Group such powers shall be set out in the constitutional documents of the relevant member of the Heriot-Watt Group and shall be read and interpreted in conjunction with the Charter and Statutes.

8.3. Notwithstanding delegation by the Court of its power under Article 8.1 above, the Court will remain ultimately accountable for the exercise of such powers. Except to the extent set out herein, provisions governing delegation of the Court's powers are set out in the Ordinances.

8.4. The Court may not delegate its powers:

- 8.4.1. to determine the Objects of the University;
- 8.4.2. to make final decisions on issues of corporate strategy;
- 8.4.3. to appoint and dismiss the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor(s), the Principal, the Vice-Principal and/or the Secretary and to approve their terms and conditions of appointment;
- 8.4.4. to approve the annual business plan of the University recommended by the Principal;
- 8.4.5. to review and approve the annual budget of the University and annual report of the University;
- 8.4.6. to amend the Charter under the provisions of Article 18 below;

- 8.4.7. to make or amend University Statutes or Ordinances;
- 8.4.8. to adopt the University's annual accounts;
- 8.4.9. to appoint the University's External Auditors; or
- 8.4.10. to decide the remuneration of members of the Court.

## 9. **The Senate**

- 9.1. There shall be a Senate. Subject to the terms of the Charter and the Statutes, and to the powers reserved to the Court, the Court shall delegate to the Senate all of its powers in relation to academic work and standards so that subject to the terms of the Charter and the Statutes, the Senate shall be the executive body responsible for the academic work and standards of the University and in relation to programmes of study of the University, in relation to teaching and research, and for the regulation and superintendence of the education and discipline of the Students and shall take such measures and act in such manner as shall appear to it best calculated to promote the interests of the University and/or any member of the Heriot-Watt Group as places of education, learning and teaching, research, knowledge exchange and scholarship.
- 9.2. The constitution of the Senate, its powers and functions, the manner of election and period of office of its members, the manner of filling vacancies in its membership, and all other matters relative to the Senate and its affairs, which it may be thought proper so to regulate, shall be as prescribed in the Statutes.

## 10. **Stakeholders**

- 10.1. The University shall engage with its alumni members, Staff and Students, other stakeholders and the wider public. The means of engagement shall be prescribed in the Ordinances.

## 11. **Student Union**

- 11.1. There shall be a Student Union of the University.
- 11.2. The constitution and the bye-laws of the Student Union, its powers and functions and all other matters which it may be thought proper so to regulate shall be prescribed in the Ordinances.
- 11.3. The University shall in no way be liable for the debts, liabilities and other obligations incurred for any act done or omitted to be done by the Student Union.

## 12. **The Chancellor**

- 12.1. There shall be a Chancellor who shall be the titular head of the University and who shall normally be entitled to preside over the conferment of degrees and

other education awards (including honorary awards) which have been granted by the University.

12.2. The manner of appointment and the period of office of the Chancellor shall be as prescribed in the Statutes.

12.3. The duties of the Chancellor shall be as prescribed in the Ordinances.

**13. The Pro-Chancellor(s)**

13.1. There shall be one or more Pro-Chancellor(s) of the University who in the absence of the Chancellor, or during a vacancy in that office, shall exercise and perform such duties of the Chancellor as shall be agreed by the Court and further prescribed in the Ordinances.

13.2. The manner of appointment of the Pro-Chancellor(s) and the period of office of the Pro-Chancellor(s) shall be as prescribed in the Statutes.

**14. The Principal**

14.1. There shall be a Principal who shall also be the Vice-Chancellor.

14.2. The Principal shall assume the role of Chief Accounting Officer and Chief Executive Officer of the University.

14.3. The powers, functions and duties of the Principal and the manner of appointment shall be as prescribed in the Statutes.

14.4. The Principal shall be an ex officio member of the Senate and shall preside over meetings of the Senate.

14.5. The Principal, in the absence of the Chancellor and the Pro-Chancellor(s), or during a vacancy in these offices, shall exercise and perform all the duties of the Chancellor and the Pro-Chancellor(s).

14.6. During a vacancy in the office of Principal, the Court shall appoint an Acting Principal who shall exercise and perform such of the functions of the Principal and shall have such powers, privileges and duties under the Charter or under the Statutes as the Court may specify.

**15. The Vice-Principal**

15.1. There shall be a Vice-Principal and Deputy Vice-Chancellor who shall, subject to the Statutes, during the absence of the Principal, be appointed as Acting Principal in order to exercise and perform such of the functions and duties of the Principal as the Principal, or if the Principal should be incapacitated or absent, the Court, may decide.

15.2. The manner of appointment of the Vice-Principal shall be as prescribed in the Ordinances.

**16. The Secretary of the University**

16.1. There shall be a Secretary of the University.

16.2. The powers, functions and duties of the Secretary and the manner of appointment shall be prescribed in the Statutes.

**17. The Deans**

17.1. The Senate shall appoint Deans in accordance with the Statutes and the Ordinances which shall prescribe the manner of appointment and the responsibilities of the Deans.

17.2. At the discretion of the Senate, from time to time, any additional designation of the Deans may be agreed.

**18. The Charter**

18.1. The Court may, at any time and by Special Resolution, add to, amend, or revoke the Charter. Every Special Resolution to amend the Charter shall be communicated to the Senate and shall be displayed publicly within the University for not less than twenty-eight days as soon as may be after the said resolution has been passed at a meeting of the Court. Such addition, amendment, or revocation shall only become effective when approved by the Privy Council. A certificate under the hand of the Clerk to the Privy Council shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

**19. The Statutes**

19.1. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes shall prescribe:

19.1.1. the constitution and business of the Court; and

19.1.2. such other provisions as the Court may see fit in connection with the governance of the University, or for the promotion of the objects of the Charter.

19.2. The Statutes may direct that any matters prescribed or regulated by Statute as authorised or directed by the Charter shall be further prescribed or regulated by Ordinance, by Regulation, by decision made by the Court or by decision made by the Senate provided that such prescription or regulation shall not be repugnant to the Ordinances, the Statutes or the Charter.

19.3. The Court may, at any time and by Special Resolution, make Statutes for the University which may add to, amend, or revoke the Statutes for the time being in force; provided that such Statutes shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of the Charter. Such addition, amendment or revocation shall be displayed publicly within the University for not less than twenty-eight days as soon as may be after the said resolution has been passed at a meeting of the Court and shall only become effective when approved by the Privy Council. A

certificate under the hand of the Clerk to of the Privy Council shall be conclusive evidence of such approval.

- 19.4. Statutes dealing with the powers and functions of the Senate, as set out in the Charter, shall not be made, added to, amended, or revoked except on the recommendation, or with the concurrence, of the Senate.

## 20. **The Ordinances**

- 20.1. Subject to the provisions of the Charter and the Statutes the Court may, by Ordinary Resolution, make, add to, amend or revoke such Ordinances as it considers necessary or desirable for the purpose of carrying out the Objects of the University and otherwise managing its own or the University's affairs, and shall stipulate when such Ordinances come into effect; provided that no Ordinance shall be inconsistent with the provisions of the Charter and Statutes. Each such resolution shall be displayed publicly within the University for not less than twenty-eight days as soon as may be after the said resolution has been passed at a meeting of the Court.

- 20.2. Ordinances dealing with the powers and functions of the Senate, as set out in the Statutes, shall not be made, amended, added to or repealed except on the recommendation, or with the concurrence, of the Senate.

## 21. **The Regulations**

- 21.1. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes and Ordinances, and additionally within the responsibilities delegated to it by the Court, the Senate may, make, add to, amend or revoke Regulations relating to:

- 21.1.1. teaching, research, programmes of study, and knowledge exchange and the award of degrees and other education awards;
- 21.1.2. the conduct of examinations;
- 21.1.3. the University library services;
- 21.1.4. the requirements for admission to the University and to any particular programme of study;
- 21.1.5. the conditions under which Students shall be permitted to continue with their studies in the University;
- 21.1.6. Academic dress;
- 21.1.7. the discipline of the Students; and
- 21.1.8. such other matters within its delegated responsibilities as it or the Court considers necessary or desirable for the purpose of carrying out the Objects of the University.



## **22. Academic Freedom**

- 22.1. Academic Staff, Staff engaged to teach, research or provide learning and any other persons defined in Section 26(3) of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 2005, and any subsequent statutory provision which replaces it, shall have freedom, subject to the applicable law, to hold and express opinion, to question and test established ideas and received wisdom and to present controversial or unpopular points of view without placing themselves in jeopardy of losing their jobs or any privileges which they may enjoy at the University, by virtue of such ideas or opinions.
- 22.2. Subject to Article 22.1, provisions relating to academic freedom shall be contained within the Ordinances.

## **23. Equality**

- 23.1. In accordance with, and subject to the applicable law, the University shall be committed to the fair and equal treatment of every person and shall not discriminate on unjustified, irrelevant or unlawful grounds.

## **24. Dividend, Gift, Division or Bonus in Money**

- 24.1. The University shall not make to any of its members any dividend, gift, division or bonus in money except by way of a prize, reward, salary, emoluments or special grant.

## **25. Political Donations**

- 25.1. The University shall not make any political donations.

## **26. Interpretation**

- 26.1. Our Royal Will and Pleasure is that the Charter shall ever be construed benevolently and in every case most favourably to the University and the promotion of the objects of the Charter.
- 26.2. The provisions of the Charter and Statutes shall not be construed to conflict with any applicable national law, current or future enacted.”.



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2015

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty in Council has allowed an amendment to the Charter of The Chartered Institute of Taxation as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

*Richard Tilbrook*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER OF THE CHARTERED INSTITUTE OF TAXATION

In Article 10 *delete* "and present".



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2015

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty in Council has allowed the amendments to the Charter of Aston University as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

*Richard Tilbrook*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF ASTON UNIVERSITY

1. In Article 3 **reclassify** paragraphs (a) to (w) as 3.1 to 3.23.
2. **Delete** Article 3.21 as reclassified and **substitute**:

“3.21 To give guarantees for the payment of any sum of money or the performance of any contract or obligation by any company, body, society or person if it is in the interest of the objects of the University so to do.”
3. In Article 3.22 as reclassified, **delete** “funds representing the same in accordance with the provisions of the Statutes annexed to this Our Charter.” and **substitute** “such funds.”
4. In Articles 4, 5, 9 and 12 **delete** “Statutes” and **substitute** “Ordinances”.
5. In Articles 5 and 6 **delete** “Chairman” and **substitute** “Chair”.
6. In Article 7:
  - (a) **delete** “Senior Pro-” and **substitute** “Deputy”;

- (b) *delete* "his" and *substitute* "their";
  - (c) *delete* "additional".
7. In Article 13 *delete* "as provided by the Statutes." and *substitute* "Council and Senate of the University as provided by the Statutes and Ordinances."
8. In Article 14:
- (a) *renumber* 14(i) and 14(ii) as 14.1 and 14.2;
  - (b) in 14.2 as renumbered, *delete* "School Board" and *substitute* "School Management Team".
9. In Article 15:
- (a) *delete* 15(i);
  - (b) *renumber* 15(ii) and 15(iii) as 15.1 and 15.2;
  - (c) *delete* 15.1 as renumbered and *substitute* "15.1 The constitution, powers, duties and functions of the Council."
10. *Delete* Article 17 and *substitute*:

"17 "Ordinances for carrying out the objects of the University may be made by the Council. The power to make Ordinances shall include the power to amend, add to or repeal any such Ordinances. The Council shall not pass a resolution to make Ordinances concerning the constitution and powers of the academic bodies of the University or other academic matters unless prior to the meeting of the Council at which such resolution is proposed to be passed it has been communicated to the Senate and the Academic Assembly, and the Council shall take into account any views expressed by these bodies."

11. *Renumber* Articles 18 to 27 as 19 to 28.

12. *Insert* new Article 18:

"18 Subject to the provisions of this Our Charter and the Statutes, Ordinances may prescribe or regulate as the case may be:

(i) The status, appointment and continuance in office of the Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellors and all officers and staff of the University.

(ii) The constitution, powers, duties and functions of the Convocation, the Senate, the Schools and the Academic Assembly."

13. **Delete** Article 22 as renumbered and **substitute**:

“22 The University promotes equal opportunities and shall show no discrimination on the grounds of gender, marital or civil partnership status, pregnancy and maternity, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, disability, religion or belief, sexual orientation or gender reassignment against any person in determining whether he or she is to be admitted as a member of the Staff, or as a Student, or to graduate from, or to hold any advantage or privilege, of the University.”

14. In Article 27 as renumbered, **delete** “his” wherever it occurs and **substitute** “their”.



*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 15th DAY OF JULY 2015

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty in Council has allowed the amendments to the Charter of The University of Bradford as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

*Richard Tilbrook*

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*SCHEDULE*

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD

*Delete* Articles 1 to 27 and *substitute* Articles 1 to 30:

- “1. By this Charter there shall be constituted and founded a University by the name of ‘The University of Bradford’ (‘the University’).
2. The members for the time being of the Court, the Council, the Senate, the members of staff of the University, the graduates of the University, the students of the University, the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellors and the Treasurer and all others who shall pursuant to this our Charter and the Statutes of the University for the time being be members of the University are hereby constituted and from henceforth for ever shall be one body politic and corporate with perpetual succession and a Common Seal by the name and style of The University of Bradford (hereinafter called the ‘University’).
3. The objects of the University shall be to advance education and knowledge through teaching and research; and the application of knowledge to societal welfare and in particular (although without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) teaching and research in

technological, scientific, social and professional disciplines in an environment of equality and diversity. In furtherance of those objects it shall (a) collaborate with industry, commerce, the professions and other institutions; and (b) in addition to its national and international roles, it shall have a particular commitment to the economic and educational well-being of the city of Bradford and to the district and region.

4. The University shall be a teaching, research and an examining body and shall, within the law and subject to the Charter and the Statutes, have the following powers:
  - a) To prescribe in its Statutes or Ordinances the requirements for Matriculation and the conditions under which persons shall be admitted to the University or to any particular course of study therein;
  - b) To award degrees and other academic awards (including honorary degrees and other honorary awards) and to withdraw, for good cause, such degrees or awards;
  - c) To provide instruction in such branches of learning as the University may think fit and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as the University may determine;
  - d) To co-operate and collaborate with other institutions and individuals for the purposes of teaching, research and assessment and associated services as such activity fits with the strategy of the University, and to award joint degrees or other awards;
  - e) To affiliate or incorporate into the University any other institution to take over its property, rights, liabilities and staff;
  - f) To transfer the assets and liabilities of the University to another institution with the same as, or similar to, the objects of the University;
  - g) To establish companies;
  - h) To institute Professorships, Readerships, Senior Lectureships, Lectureships, and any other offices of any kind and whether academic or not as the purposes of the University may require, to appoint persons and to remove them from such offices, and to prescribe their conditions of service;
  - i) To institute and award Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions, Bursaries and Prizes and other aids to study and research;

- j) To solicit, receive and administer fees, grants, subscriptions, donations, endowments, legacies, gifts and loans of any property whatsoever whether land or personal property;
  - k) To act as trustee for an in relation to endowments, legacies and gifts;
  - l) To take such steps as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the University, and to raise money in such other manner as the University may deem fit;
  - m) To acquire, own, maintain, manage and dispose of land and other property;
  - n) To invest any monies in the hands of the University and available for investment;
  - o) In furtherance of the objects, and so far as permitted by charity law, to give guarantees;
  - p) In furtherance of the objects, and so far as permitted by charity law, to borrow and raise money and give security for loans; and for those purposes the University shall have the authority to enter into any financial instrument which is ancillary or incidental to the exercise of such powers;
  - q) To obtain through the College of Arms a grant of armorial bearings;
  - r) To provide for the discipline of the students of the University in such manner as may be prescribed by the Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations.
5. The University may, and may only, confer benefits on members of the Council if the benefit has been authorised by the Council in accordance with the Ordinances. In this clause 'benefit' includes:
- a) buying any goods or services from the University;
  - b) selling goods, services, or any interest in land to the University;
  - c) being employed by, or receiving any remuneration from the University;
  - d) receiving any other financial benefit from the University.
6. There shall be a Chancellor of the University who shall be entitled to confer Degrees and other academic awards of the University.



7. There shall be a Vice-Chancellor of the University who shall be the chief academic and administrative officer of the University and shall preside over meetings of its Senate and shall, in the absence of the Chancellor or during a vacancy in that office, confer Degrees and other academic awards of the University.
8. There shall be a Treasurer of the University.
9. There shall be such other officers of the University as the Council may from time to time determine who shall perform such functions and duties as may be decided by Council, including for the conferment of degrees in the absence of the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor.
10. There shall be a Court of the University ('the Court') which, subject to the provisions of the Charter and the Statutes, shall appoint the Chancellor and have the right to receive reports on the working of the University.
11. There shall be a Council of the University ('Council') which shall be the principal governing body of the University and shall have the custody and use of the Common Seal; be responsible for the management and administration of the revenue and property of the University; and for the conduct of the affairs of the University with authority to delegate its powers as provided in the Statutes. The membership of Council will comprise a majority of lay members. The Chair of Council will be a lay member and may be either drawn from the existing lay membership or appointed for the purpose. The terms of office for members of Council (other than ex officio members) will be a maximum of no more than three terms of three years. The terms of reference for Council are set out in University Ordinance.
12. There shall be a Senate of the University ('Senate') which shall be the principal academic body of the University, the terms of reference for which will be set out in University Ordinance.
13. It shall be the duty of the Council to refer to the Senate any matters, which in its opinion, should be dealt with by the Senate.
14. It shall be the duty of Senate to bring before the Council any matter coming before the Senate that the Senate considers to have financial implications or in any way to affect the general well-being of the University or of its relationship with persons and bodies outside the University.
15. There shall be constituted, subject to the provisions the Charter and the Statutes, such units of organisation for the management and administration of cognate teaching and research activity as deemed appropriate by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Senate. There will be a Board for the oversight of each such unit of organisation.

16. There shall be an Assembly of the University.
17. There shall be a Students' Union of the University. The constitution of the Students' Union, its powers and functions and all other relevant regulatory matters shall be as prescribed in the Ordinances.
18. The University shall not make any dividend, gift, division or bonus in money unto or between any of its members except by way of prize reward or special grant, including as payment of reasonable and proper remuneration for goods or services supplied by the University.
19. Academic staff employed by the University shall have freedom within the law to question and test received wisdom, and to put forward new ideas and controversial or unpopular opinions without placing themselves in jeopardy of losing their jobs or privileges.
20. The University shall not discriminate against any person on the grounds of race, nationality, ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, religion, social backgrounds or political belief.
21. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes may prescribe or regulate as the case may be:
  - a) The constitution, powers, duties and functions (as the case may be) of the Court, the Council, the Senate, the Boards of the academic units of organisation, and the Assembly.
  - b) All such other matters as the Council may deem fit for the governing of the University, its members and constituent parts or otherwise for the promotion of the objects of the Charter.
22. The Statutes of the University will remain in force until they have been amended, varied or repealed in the manner prescribed in the following provisions.
23. The Council may amend, vary or repeal Statutes after consultation with the Senate, provided that no such amendments shall be contrary to the provisions of the Charter, and shall not have effect until approved by the Lords of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, of which approval, a Certificate under the hand of the Clerk of Our said Privy Council shall be conclusive evidence.
24. The Council may make Ordinances and may amend, vary or repeal any Ordinances so made.
25. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes and the Ordinances, the Senate may, within the responsibilities delegated to it by the Council, make, add to, amend or revoke Regulations relating to:

- a) teaching, research, programmes of study and the award of degrees and other academic awards;
  - b) the conduct of examinations;
  - c) the requirements for admission to the University and to any particular scheme of study;
  - d) the conditions under which students shall be permitted to continue their studies in the University;
  - e) academic dress, and
  - f) the discipline of students of the University.
26. The Council may at any time, amend, vary or repeal, the Charter at a meeting of which not less than ten working days' notice has been given to each of its members, by a resolution passed by not less than three-fourths of the members of Council present and voting and such amendment, variation or repeal shall, when allowed by Us, Our Heirs or Successors in Council, have effect so that the Charter shall continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made as so amended, varied or repealed.
27. Article 26 shall apply to the Charter as amended, varied or repealed.
28. No Article or provision of the Charter shall be amended, varied or repealed otherwise than as prescribed in Article 26 or by Supplemental Charter.
29. In the Charter 'Statutes' means the Statutes set out in the Schedule and any Statutes amending, varying or repealing then which may be made and may be approved by the Lords of our Most Honourable Privy Council. 'Ordinances' means Acts of the Council of the University under the powers conferred by the Charter to which our further sanction is not required. 'Regulations' except when otherwise required by the context, means Regulations made pursuant to the Charter or to the Statutes or Ordinances.
30. Our Royal Will and Pleasure is that this Our Charter shall ever be construed benevolently and in every case most favourably to the University and the promotion of the objects of this Our Charter."