

At the Court at Buckingham Palace

THE 14th DAY OF OCTOBER 2026

PRESENT,

THE KING'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

The Governing Body of Robinson College, in the University of Cambridge, has made a Statute amending Statutes XIV and XXIV in accordance with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and in the form set out in the Schedule to this Order.

The Statute has been submitted to His Majesty in Council, and the provisions of the Act relating to publication in the London Gazette and laying before both Houses of Parliament have been complied with.

No petition or address has been presented against the Statute.

Now, therefore, His Majesty, having taken the Statute into consideration, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to approve it.

Richard Tilbrook, CVO

SCHEDULE

STATUTE to alter and amend the Statutes of Robinson College, in the University of Cambridge, which amending Statute having been duly made at General Meetings of the Governing Body of the said College held on the Twenty-Fourth day of November Two Thousand and Twenty-Five and Ninth day of March Two Thousand and Twenty-Six (notice of the proposed amending Statute having been given to the University) and having been passed by the votes of not less than two-thirds of the number of persons present and voting is now submitted for the approval of His Majesty The King in Council.

RESOLUTION

WE the Warden and Fellows of Robinson College in the University of Cambridge in pursuance of the power given us by section 7 of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 do hereby alter and amend the Statutes of our said College by amending Statutes XIV and XXIV of which the new text is set out below.

STATUTE XIV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The College, like the University, has maintained an Employer-Justified Retirement Age (EJRA) of 67 for academic staff. The University has raised its EJRA to 69, and the College intends to do the same. This change will be executed administratively; no amendment to the Statutes is required.

In parallel, existing Statute XIV requires a Fellow to retire from the Fellowship at the age of 67. The College proposes to raise this age to 69, so that it is in line with the EJRA.

The amended Statute enables the Governing Body to change the Fellowship retirement age, so that it can give effect to this and future changes. The amended Statute allows a Fellow to continue their Fellowship beyond 69 if their College or University employment extends beyond that age (for example, where that employment is in a post not covered by the College's or the University's EJRA). Finally, the amended Statute clarifies that Statute XIV is referring to retirement from the Fellowship, not retirement from employment.

STATUTE XIV

Fellowships

For existing Statute XIV section 7, substitute:

7. (i) A Fellow shall retire at the end of the academical year in which that Fellow attains the age set for the purpose of this section by a resolution of the Governing Body.

(ii) Paragraph (i) shall not apply to:

(a) Life Fellows;

(b) Fellows who remain employed by the University or by the College, in which case they shall retire when that employment ceases.

(iii) In this section, “retire” means retire from a Fellowship.

STATUTE XXIV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The existing Statute XXIV.3 provides that every Tutor, if not already a Fellow, shall be elected to a Fellowship by the Council and shall hold that Fellowship during the entire period of tenure of that office.

The amended Statute XXIV.3 clarifies the wording and makes it clear that Emeritus Fellows may act as Tutors.

STATUTE XXIV

The Tutors

For existing Statute XXIV section 3, substitute:

3. No person may serve as a Tutor unless they are a Fellow or an Emeritus Fellow.

Sealed in the presence of:

Sir Richard Nicholas Heaton KCB
Warden

Dr Scott Annett
Fellow and Senior Tutor

1st April 2026

