

### **ESTATES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Meeting held on Wednesday 17 June 2015 at 8.30 a.m. in the Council Room

# **MINUTES**

Present:

Professor Michael Arthur (Chair) Dame Nicola Brewer

Professor Anthony Finkelstein Professor Mary Fulbrook

Dame Hazel Genn

Mr Andrew Grainger

Mr Phil Harding

Professor Graham Hart

Professor Chris Husbands

Mr Rex Knight

Professor David Lomas

Professor Alan Penn

Professor David Price

Professor Geraint Rees

Professor Anthony Smith

Professor Alan Thompson

Professor Jo Wolff

Apologies for absence were received from Professor Nick Brook, Mr David Smith, and Professor Sir John Tooke.

In attendance: Ms Valerie Hogg (Director of Financial Planning Strategy), Mr Richard Jackson (Head of Environmental Sustainability), and Dr Marguerite Nolan (Secretary).

Key to abbreviations

EMC Estates Management Committee

FC Finance Committee

PRG Project Review Group (formerly Estates Approval Committee)

RNOH Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital

#### **Preliminary Business**

#### 1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 MAY 2015

1.1 **Approved:** The Minutes of the meeting of the Estates Management Committee held on 6 May 2015 were approved.

4.4 **Resolved:** That the business case for the Bidborough House, Torrington Place Restack as set out at <u>EMC 6-2 (14-15)</u> be recommended to the Finance Committee for approval at its next meeting on 2 July 2015.

#### 5. SOUTH QUAD TEACHING FACILITY

EMC 6-3 (14-15)

- 5.1 **Considered:** The Committee considered the business case for the South Quad Teaching Facility at EMC 6-3 (14-15). This contained a proposal to procure a contractor to design and build a temporary teaching facility in the South Quad to open for the start of the 2015-16 academic year. Approval was being sought for expenditure of up to £1.9m for the construction of the temporary teaching facility in the South Quad. At its meeting on 11 March 2015, the Estates Management Committee had strongly supported the recommendation to undertake a feasibility study for erecting a temporary teaching building on the South Quad.
- 5.2 The Committee discussed the need for additional teaching space in the UCL Bloomsbury campus for the next academic year to take account of increased student numbers and refurbishment work which was taking place in parts of the campus.
- 5.3 The Committee noted the importance of ensuring that best use was being made of teaching space throughout the UCL estate including the Royal Free campus in Hampstead.

  Members also suggested that some teaching space might be available at the Eastman Dental Institute and the Whittington Hub. It was recognised that the distance between the Bloomsbury campus and the Royal Free campus would cause difficulty for some teaching programmes. It was agreed to refer this matter to the Learning Spaces Project Board.
- 5.4 **Resolved:** The Committee approved the business case for South Quad Teaching Facility as set out at <u>EMC 6-3 (14-15)</u>.

### 6. ASTOR COLLEGE REFURBISHMENT AND EXTENSION

EMC 6-4 (14-15)

- 6.1 **Considered:** The Committee considered the business case for the refurbishment and extension of Astor College. ccommodation Strategy Review had been endorsed by EMC and the Finance Committee in the spring 2014 and this had been followed up with a Direction of Travel paper submitted to Finance Committee on 26 March 2015.
- 6.2 The proposal to extend and refurbish Astor College was with LB of Camden for Town Planning with approval ang

£197m (both exclusive of Student Accommodation). This increase had resulted from additional budget approval for the Bidborough House / Torrington Place re-stack (with latter

## 11. DATES OF MEETINGS OF EMC IN 2015-16

11.1 **Noted:** That dates of meetings of the Estates Management Committee in 2015-16 were currently being discussed and were to be confirmed.

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