

**TEESSIDE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

A meeting of the Board of Governors was held on 25 March 2022.

Present:	Dean Benson Paul Booth CBE (Chair) Professor Paul Croney OBE Dr Nick Johnson (via Teams) Rosie Jones Alfredo Ramos Claire Vaughan	Madhu Bethina Ada Burns Harriet Dryden Professor Philip Jones Sue Kiddle Dermot Russell
Officers:	Juliet Amos Professor Steve Cummings Malcolm Page Sandra Thompson (Asst Secretary)	Dr David Bell Helen Cutting (Secretary) Professor Mark Simpson
Apologies:	Dr Safwan Akram James Cross Fiona Macleod Godfrey Worsdale OBE	Suhail Aslam Yasmin Khan Steve Tonks

TU 4039 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Dermot Russell declared an interest relating to a family member being an employee of PwC. (TU 4050 – Appointment of Internal Auditors refers)
2. No further declarations of interest were made regarding matters on the Agenda.

TU 4040 BOARD MEMBERSHIP

It was **NOTED**:

1. That, following consideration via Written Resolution on 16 March 2023, the Nomination and Governance Committee recommend approval by the Board, in the constituency of 'Independent', the appointment of:
 - 1.1 **Richard Rollison** – Currently Managing Director of Trade and Investment at the Scottish Government who brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience in the area of public policy along with a proven track record in strategy development and delivery, and in leading collaboration across public, private and academic sectors to achieve shared goals.
 - 1.2 **Tony Parkinson** – Currently Chief Executive of Middlesbrough Council and having spent the majority of his career in Local Government, over a 32-year period, having held a 'chief officer' post since 2003.

It was **AGREED**:

2. To approve the appointment of Richard Rollison and Tony Parkinson as Independent Members of the Board for a period of just under three years, until the meeting of the AGM in November 2024, to take effect from:

Tony Parkinson 25 March 2022

Richard Rollison 25 April 2022

TU 4041 VICE-CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with a report from the Vice-Chancellor on matters of interest within the University and the wider HE Sector, with particular attention being drawn to the fast moving and volatile situation in the Ukraine which continues to be a global concern with implications across all sectors and societies.
2. That UUK are progressing developments in several areas including: suspension of an MoU with the Russian Union of Rectors (RUR), following a statement of support for the invasion from the RUR; correspondence with Minister for Immigration calling for urgent action on immigration routes for Ukrainian citizens entering the UK; and correspondence to the leaders, staff and students of all Ukrainian institutions confirming commitment to support.

TU 4042 MINUTES – 21 JANUARY 2022

1. **Minutes:**

It was **AGREED**:

- 1.1 To approve, as a true and accurate record, the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 January 2022.

TU 4043 LEARNING and TEACHING KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (KPIs)

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with an overview of the strategic context in which the KPIs for the Learning and Teaching portfolio are being proposed.
2. That, in light of the changeable operating environment caused by the pandemic, the University is motivated to review its KPIs on an annual basis for the first two years of the 2027 Strategy to ensure they remain appropriately responsive measures of success.
3. That, the persistent uncertainty caused by recent events has presented significant challenges in monitoring and measuring the success of the student experience using traditional methods, as key metrics, such as student

satisfaction for example, have been somewhat distorted by the impact of the pandemic on the student and learning experience.

4. That, as part of wider reforms to Higher Education through the recently published response to the Augar Review, the OfS have launched new consultations on proposals to introduce minimum thresholds for student outcomes metrics, including continuation, completion and progression, in addition to a revised TEF to evaluate teaching quality.
5. That, whilst these measures act as a useful benchmarking tool and will feed into wider sector metrics, it is widely recognised, across the sector that contextualising this kind of data is imperative in order to provide a fuller picture and consider a range of variables, such as regional disparities, institution types and student profiles.
6. That the University intends to adopt the proposed thresholds as institutional measures of student outcomes but it is clear that there will be challenges in achieving excellent results using the current available metrics, for a number of reasons linked to the institution's location and student profile.

It was **AGREED**:

7. To endorse the proposed thresholds for the Learning and Teaching KPIs for implementation in September 2022, acknowledging the more detailed discussion on Strategic KPIs intended for the Planning Day in May.

TU 4044 RECRUITMENT STRATEGY

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have received a report, accompanied by a presentation from the David Hudson, Director of Student Recruitment and Marketing, relating to the Student Recruitment Strategy – highlights of which include:
 - Aims of the Strategy:
 - Grow and Diversify Student Recruitment (Numbers and £)
 - Overhaul UG and PT
 - Continue PG Growth
 - Accelerate HDAs and Online
 - Move International from recruitment to selection
 - Changing recruitment landscape impacted by Covid, Brexit, Government Policy, Office for Students, demographics and applicant behaviour, all of which, have resulted in wholly different market conditions
 - Implementation of step-change approach to recruitment over the next five years, realising new opportunities for diversification in various markets and adapting the operating model and strategic approach to enable sustainable growth
 - New recruitment strategy to focus on the development and growth of six core student recruitment markets known to have the potential to increase opportunities, student numbers and additional investment including in-product development and promotion

It was **AGREED**:

2. To approve the University's Student Recruitment Strategy 2022-27 as presented to the Board.

TU 4045 NET ZERO UPDATE

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have received an informative presentation from Professor Steve Cummings (Pro Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation)) relating to the Net Zero Innovation Centre – highlights of which include:
 - Its vision to be nationally and internationally recognised for its expertise and contribution to environmental and economic sustainability through its delivery of specific innovation projects and the creation and transfer of knowledge
 - Its mission to identify high impact innovation projects of national and international importance and develop and connect resources to build a delivery plan for the short medium and long term
 - Areas of strength and investment to include:
 - Advanced materials for the hydrogen and decarbonisation economy
 - Smart buildings and energy management, underpinned by digital innovation
 - Circular economy and non-mechanical recycling technologies
 - Just Transition
 - Supporting the development of the emerging cluster by:
 - Strengthening the existing innovation ecosystem through direct provision of specialist facilities and support designed to promote knowledge transfer.
 - Providing a supported route for product development by delivering direct technical support for SMEs.
 - facilitating structural, regeneration and innovation grant capture (Research England Development Fund bid)
 - Partnerships with Industry, Government, RTOs and the Academic sector
 - Supporting skills development to demonstrate how business and academia can work together to drive the transition to clean technologies
2. That, related to the above, the Board is advised of the intention to submit an application to the Research England Development Fund for the purposes of growing Teesside's hydrogen economy and catalysing a just transition to Net Zero.
3. That, as the submission deadline for this bid is prior to the next meeting of the Board, it is intended to seek approval via Written Resolution with a request to proceed in favour of a majority response.

It was **AGREED**:

4. To approve a temporary amendment to the Written Resolution procedure to permit Board consideration and approval of the Research England Development Funding bid by this route in due on course on a majority, in favour basis, as opposed to unanimous.

TU 4046 [FOI exempt – Prejudicial to Commercial Interests]

TU 4047 **STRATEGIC RISK MANAGEMENT – UPDATE NO 3**

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with an update on Strategic and Operational Risk Management activity which was endorsed by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on 1 March 2022.
2. That Strategic Risks have been updated by the relevant Risk Owners and provided to Members for review, with no changes to the current risk ratings since the meeting of the Board in November 2021.

It was **AGREED**:

4. To endorse the Strategic Risk Management update and the associated Strategic Risk Register.

TU 4048 **FINANCIAL REGULATIONS – ANNUAL REVIEW**

1. That, following annual review, Members have received the University's revised Financial Regulations, including a summary of proposed changes, for approval which have been considered and endorsed by the Audit Committee (1 March 2022), and the Resources Committee (16 March 2022).

It was **AGREED**:

2. To approve the revised Financial Regulations and to give authority for any minor amendments or housekeeping updates required, prior to the annual review, to be made by the Chief Operating Officer in consultation with the Chairs of Audit and Resources Committees.

TU 4049 **SCHEME OF DELEGATION – ANNUAL REVIEW**

It was **NOTED**:

1. That, following annual review, Members have received a revised Scheme of Delegation for approval (including a summary of proposed changes) which has been considered and endorsed by the Audit Committee (1 March 2022), and the Resources Committee (16 March 2021).

2. That, whilst the Scheme of Delegation cannot be absolutely comprehensive, it enables significant decisions being made in the name of, or on behalf of, Teesside University which should be read in conjunction with the University's Instrument and Articles of Government and Financial Regulations.

It was **AGREED**:

4. To approve the revised Scheme of Delegation, subject to any minor amendments.

TU 4050 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITORS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That, following a tender exercise, PwC had been appointed as the University's internal auditors by the Board of Governors for an initial term of three years from 1 August 2019 with an optional annual extension of up to a further 2 years.
3. Management have evaluated PwC's performance in respect of service delivery, availability of specialist teams, price and quality of reports and acknowledge that they are the sector lead in HE for Internal Audit which demonstrates a strong performance by PwC in the delivery of the internal audit function.

It was **AGREED**:

4. To approve the extension of the current contract with PwC for Internal Audit Services to the University and its subsidiaries for the optional further two years, expiring 31 July 2024.

TU 4051 GENDER PAY GAP

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with a report incorporating the Gender Pay Gap data which meets the requirement for a written statement and data to be published on the Government's website, as well as providing key gender pay gap data, the report also provides an update on actions taken to date, and those planned to significantly reduce the University's Gender Pay Gap by 2027.

It was **AGREED**:

3. To approve the reporting of the Gender Pay Gap Data on both the Government and University's website.

TU 4052 FLATTS LANE LEASE

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been presented with a proposal to renew the Lease relating to the Flatts Lane Centre, Normanby Road, Middlesbrough with Tees,

Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (TEWV), with this proposal having also been considered and endorsed by the Resources Committee at its meeting of 16 March 2022.

It was **AGREED**:

2. To approve the renewal of the Lease of the Flatts Lane Centre under revised terms as proposed in the University's Heads of Terms.

TU 4053 VENTURE NORTH

It was **NOTED**:

1. [FOI exempt – Prejudicial to Commercial Interests]
2. That Venture North is a £75M+ early stage (Seed, Late Seed and Series A) 'Society Tech' fund, proposed via a collaboration between Northstar Ventures and the Universities of Durham, Newcastle, Northumbria, Sunderland and Teesside, anchored in the North East of England and focused on supporting University 'spin-outs' and 'spin-ins' to solve societal challenges at global scale.
3. [FOI exempt – Prejudicial to Commercial Interests]

It was **AGREED**:

4. [FOI exempt – Prejudicial to Commercial Interests]

TU 4054 ARTS COUNCIL ENGLAND NATIONAL PORTFOLIO APPLICATION

It was **NOTED**

1. That MIMA is intending to submit an application for core funding through the Arts Council England's National Portfolio Organisation fund in April 2022 that will require Board approval in advance via written resolution and as such to request a temporary variation to the written resolution procedure to achieve this.

It was **AGREED**:

2. To approve a temporary amendment to the written resolution procedure to permit Board consideration and approval of the National Portfolio Application 2023-26 to Arts Council England by this route in due course on a majority, in favour basis, as opposed to unanimous.

TU 4055 STUDENT RECRUITMENT UPDATE

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have received an oral update relating to the current position on student recruitment as well as being referred to during the item on the Recruitment and Marketing Strategy. (TU 4044 refers)

TU 4056 CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT – PERIOD 7

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with the Period 7 Corporate Performance Report for 2021/22, covering the period 1 August 2021 – 28 February 2022.

TU 4057 REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING – UPDATE NO 3

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with the Revenue Budget Monitoring 2021/22 Update No 3, reflecting the latest 2021/22 student recruitment cycle, and its impact on tuition fees and other significant financial variations, including a revised Income and Expenditure account and analysis of income.

It was **AGREED**:

2. To endorse the financial performance reporting as outlined.

TU 4058 CAPITAL AND ESTATES PROGRAMME UPDATE NO 3 – 2021/22

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with the Capital and Estates Programme Update No 3 for 2021/22 with continued positive progress.

TU 4059 FIRE SAFETY – BUILDING CLADDING AND EXTERNAL FACADES

It was **NOTED**:

1. That, as advised to the Board in the Estates Related Legislative Compliance Report in November 2021, the University has been awaiting the results of an intrusive survey commissioned from a specialist fire engineering consultant to assess the overall fire integrity strategy relating to external cladding on all buildings across campus. (TU 4010 refers)
2. That this survey was undertaken by Ventro Fire Compliance Group and reported in January 2022.
3. That, in relation to Central Halls, whilst a number of fire safety measures are in place, including the automatic sprinkler system noted to be compliant to 'BS9251:2014 Residential and Domestic Systems', the Ventro report has identified issues with the cavity of the building, behind the external cladding.
4. That, the University's Health and Safety Manager has considered the report and advised that the recommended actions are undertaken as early as is reasonably practicable, clarifying however that no immediate action is required to vacate the building as a result of the other safety measures already in place.

5. That, the closure of Central Halls however as early as practicable has been agreed and a decant plan is underway, alternative accommodation dependant
6. That, following its closure, once a plan for the future of Central Halls has been determined, a further paper will be brought to both the Resources Committee and the Board for approval.

TU 4060 MANAGING RISKS IN INTERNATIONALISATION

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with a report, identifying the University's findings following publication of UUK guidance: "Managing Risks in Internationalisation Security Related Issues" with this report also having been considered by the Audit Committee at its meeting of 1 March 2022.
2. That UUK guidance also recommends that the Board of Governors receives an annual report on how the University is managing security-related risks associated with internationalisation, describing the risks it faces and how these risks are being mitigated.
3. That, in line with the publication's recommendation that a standing item on security related risks is included on Audit Committee's agenda and the institution's risk register, Board were advised:
 - (a) that the Strategic Risk Register is a standing agenda item on the Audit Committee Agenda as part of the Strategic Risk Management Update;
 - (b) [FOI exempt – Prejudicial to Commercial Interests]

TU 4061 CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY UPDATE

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with an update relating to Corporate Social Responsibility with reporting taking place on a quarterly basis to the Charter for Social Impact Steering Group, chaired by the Director of Communications and Development with progress towards action plans being monitored for each theme via existing University committees and reporting.

TU 4062 TUITION FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with the University's Tuition Fees and Scholarships for 2022/23 which provides a summary of all University Tuition Fees and Scholarships in one document and is approved by the Fees Strategy Group, chaired by the Chief Operating Officer and endorsed by the Vice-Chancellor.

TU 4063 OfS: REGULATING QUALITY AND STANDARDS – AMENDED CONIDITIONS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with a report setting out the revised ongoing conditions of registration (B1, B2, B4 and B5) recently updated by the OfS which come into effect on 1 May 2022.

TU 4064 POLICY POSITIONS – LATEST DEVELOPMENTS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with an update relating to current Government policy matters that relate to institutional strategic significance and lines to be taken.

Tu 4065 STRATEGIC WORKFORCE PROJECTS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with eight Strategic Workforce Projects scheduled for delivery during the next year, along with details of temporary staffing changes in the Human Resources team to support this delivery.
2. That these Projects have been developed to support the University's corporate objectives as well as to enhance the University's position as an employer of choice.

TU 4066 HEALTH and SAFETY REPORT – AUGUST 2022 – JANUARY 2022

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with the University's Health, Safety and Wellbeing Update for the period August 2021 to January 2022, providing details of key developments in health, safety, and wellbeing provision over the first six months of the performance year, together with safety and sickness statistics for the same period and also covers, in brief, developments planned for the remainder of the performance year.

TU 4067 PULSE SURVEY RESULTS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with an update on developments relating to the ongoing Team Teesside Pulse Survey Programme, with a summary of the overall 2020/21 results, along with details of the November 2021 results.

TU 4068 NATIONAL PAY NEGOTIATIONS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That, as previously notified, intended industrial action instigated by UCU and Unions relating to both pay and pension changes has recently taken place with 44 Universities (including two North East Universities) being involved.
2. That consultation with HR Directors across the sector on the 2022 pay award has recently begun.

TU 4069 PRO VICE-CHANCELLOR PORTFOLIO – UPDATES

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have received an update relating to the activities of each Pro Vice-Chancellor portfolio, highlights of which include:
 - **Learning & Teaching**
 - Education:
 - Recently awarded a prestigious Faculty Development Grant focusing on digital innovation and new approaches to learning and teaching in Higher Education
 - New Adobe Digital Literacy Café webinar series, delivered in partnership with the Vice-Provost for Academic Innovation at the University of Texas, San Antonio and an Adobe Pedagogical Evangelist from the University of North Carolina assisting colleagues to understand and apply digital technologies to learning.
 - Student Support:
 - Continued commitment to students via enhanced support services, underpinned by investment in the development of a cutting-edge campus and facilities with a £5m hub specifically for postgraduate students and researchers to study, collaborate and socialise on campus set for completion in September 2022
 - Recent Creative Week hosted by MIMA, in response to student feedback, including specialist media workshops, an art social event, career preparation discussions, and subject specific seminars.
 - Recent Student Life Festival aimed at supporting students through their journey included events and taster sessions with an aim to prepare for life beyond the University.
 - Announcement of a Beth Mead Scholarship for aspiring female footballers with four successful scholars each receiving a bursary of £1,200 alongside bespoke support to assist in unlocking their full potential including one-to-one and group mentoring with Beth Mead in person during their studies.
 - Student Success:
 - The North East Local Section of the Institute of Measurement and Control (InstMC) which promotes the future of automation, measurement and control, has

recently recognised a student for their efforts undertaken during an engineering degree

- TU animation students recently recognised in the Royal Television Society (RTS) North-East and Borders awards, winning the student animation category for their film 'Sleep Paralysis', which will now be considered for the national awards due to take place this summer.
- A team of undergraduates from the TU International Business School have been awarded the Greggs Marketing Challenge, developing a successful campaign concept for the well-known bakery brand.
 - **Enterprise & Business Engagement**
- Commercialisation:
 - Initial aim on Commercialisation agenda is to focus on developing TU Innovation and Enterprise Ltd as well as developing opportunities to further grow income through intellectual property, spin-out and start-up opportunities, alongside leading on the wider business engagement and commercial partnerships agenda.
- Knowledge and Exchange Skills:
 - University recently re-accredited with Customer First Accreditation, seventh time in a row with institutional strengths being recognised across partnerships – i.e. the benefits of an in-house CRM System during the pandemic; the approach to management of strategic priorities, including the Law Clinic and Launchpad.
 - The Northeast Battery Alliance (NEBA), of which the University is a member, aims to build on the region's existing strengths in electrification, automotive, and advanced manufacturing to raise awareness with an aim for the region to be recognised as a leading hub for the battery industry and attract further inward investment.
 - In partnership with TVCA, the University is working to develop a new Hydrogen Transport Hub at Teesside International Airport, announced as the first of its kind by Government in 2020.
 - Recent completion of a series of cyber challenges at the regional final of the 2022 CyberFirst Girls Competition, by codebreaking schoolgirls, run by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), a part of GCHQ and hosted by the University.
 - Successful collaboration with Darlington College and the MoD in the Learning and Development Wing of the Infantry Training Centre to develop teaching materials and train Gurkha recruits for their Technical Selection Test, resulting in a prestigious recognition award for the lead academic involved: The School of Infantry Commandant's Coin from the Ministry of Defence.
- Regional Contribution
 - Recent achievement of the Small Business Charter Award, recognising expert support afforded to small businesses and local economies by the University's International Business School which is now recognised as part of a major national management training programme - the Help to Grow Management Programme

- Student Futures
 - New Placements Policy recently approved - aimed at increasing opportunities for students to gain impactful work experience, internships and placements as part of the University's long-term strategic intentions and commitment to improve employment outcomes for graduates.
 - Completion of Sector-wide Career Readiness Survey - aimed at providing a core source of information capturing the transformative effect of a Teesside education on student outcomes and transition post-graduation with an average response rate of 92% (circa n.9500) across L4, L5 and L6 annually.
 - **Research & Innovation**
- Impactful Research
 - Long-awaited publication of the Government's Levelling Up White paper in February presenting a significant opportunity for the Tees Valley and the University in terms of driving research and policymaking, with a thought leadership piece in HEPI from the Dean of the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Law.
 - A University research project linked to the pandemic, previously featured, has now provided concluding recommendations to the local council on how it should pursue its COVID recovery strategy with an abstract of the report having been published in world-leading medical journal, The Lancet.
 - A South Tees Arts Project (STAR) aiming to improve the well-being of young people in deprived areas by increasing access to the arts shortlisted in the HSJ Partnership Awards 2022 under the category of Most Impactful Project Addressing Health Inequalities, recognising outstanding contribution to healthcare.
- Research Excellence
 - University's reputation for excellence in research recognised in a successful application for funding from the Alan Turing Institute, the national institute for data science and artificial intelligence - The Turing Network Development Award - enabling the University to organise regional, national and outreach scientific events aimed at promoting the use of AI and developing communities of practice among AI users sharing knowledge and best practice.
 - In support of institutional research excellence, the University has recently confirmed eleven fully funded studentships and a newly established studentship will also be awarded to an outstanding doctoral candidate in memory of the late Professor Jane Turner.
 - Recent success in securing, for the first time, a prestigious impact acceleration account (IAA) to the value of £450,000 from the Arts and Humanities Research Council, intended to support the development of impact

and engagement activities with non-academic partners based on research in the Centre for Culture and Creativity.

- Actions implemented via the institutional research strategy have resulted in the University successfully securing enough award income to deliver its annual target for research income for the first time in many years.

- Innovation

- Work is set to get underway on Teesside University's new research and innovation facility – Net Zero Industry Innovation Centre - with a new Innovation Manager, two Research Associates, and a Project Manager having recently been appointed
- Recent 2020 Best Paper Award by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) presented to an academic in SCEDT related to a project examining use and development of 3D flexible surfaces and elastic pads - increasingly in demand for use in robotic applications in areas such as healthcare, automotive, aerospace and manufacturing

- **International**

- TU Global

- Focus now on admissions for 2022-23 with over 13,000 applications – 137% higher than at same point last year
- Recent attendance at a roundtable event with Vivienne Stern, MBE – Director of Universities UK International, North-East PVCs and International Directors with discussion around mobility, research opportunities and long-term effects of the pandemic
- Successful completion of BCA (Basic Compliance Assessment) with UKVI
- TU academic recently a featured speaker at a 'Women in STEM' event hosted by British Council Malaysia.

- Student Support and Satisfaction

- New pre-sessional English offer recently launched to support international students with language and study skills to enable students to be allocated to the most suitable offer
- Recent MIMA School of Art & Creative Industries World Storytelling Day – a special international celebration of creative storytelling with participation from alumni, partners, staff and students; and the International Business School's 'Know My Country' series showcasing and celebrating the many nationalities and cultures in the School
- Recent evaluation of student outcomes for the TU Scholarship students extremely positive, showing 12 out of 13 graduating students from the September 2020 intake being awarded strong degree classifications.
- Former Vice-Chancellor Scholar, from China recently won the "best children Short Film Award" of the 16th Cyprus International Film Festival

- Southeast Asia: two TU graduates are finalists in the British Council's Study UK Alumni Awards 2022
- Latest International Student Barometer 2021 results now published confirming the University's first place UK ranking for the sixth consecutive year, and also achieving a global first place ranking.
- **Transnational Education and Partnerships**
 - First City University able to recently celebrate the graduation of their first TU cohort.
 - Grant received by Sanjay Ghodawat from the British Council for promoting Disaster Management Recovery in partnership with the University – one of only the three universities in India to have received such a grant from the British Council.
 - Mobility plans with Prague City University recently confirmed for Graphic Design and Fine Arts; and an MoU recently signed with Atlas Skilltech, with mobility opportunities also being explored in India
 - 33rd Society for Animation Studies (SAS) Conference will be hosted by Teesside University in the summer bringing approximately 200 international delegates, including animation scholars and practitioners, to share and present research.

TU 4070 STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. That Members have been provided with a summary report from the meetings of the University's:

Audit Committee (4 May 2022)
Resources Committee (11 May 2022)

TU 4071 TEESSIDE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' UNION (TUSU) CONSTITUTION

It was **NOTED**:

1. That Members have been provided with a report informing Board that TUSU is currently in the process of transitioning the legal form of the Union, from an unincorporated association, to that of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO).
2. That converting to a CIO, mainly with respect to the management of risk on behalf of the Trustees, and the charity as a whole, enables numerous benefits.
3. That under its Articles of Government, the Students Union requires approval from the University's Board of Governors to make any changes to its constitution.

It was **AGREED**:

4. To approve the changes being progressed by the Students' Union to adopt the proposed constitution for the soon to be created CIO as the new legal vehicle for the Students' Union.

TU 4072 TEESSIDE STUDENTS' UNION BRIEFING

1. That Members have been provided with an update from the Students' Union highlighting the wide-ranging support and activities provided to students so far during the current academic year.

TU 4073 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS AND EVENTS

It was **NOTED**:

1. That the following dates have been scheduled for future meetings of the Board:

20 May 2022	(Planning Session)
15 July 2022	
23 September 2022	(Development Session)
25 November 2022	(AGM)
20 January 2023	
25 March 2023	
19 May 2023	(Planning Session)

2. That the postponed Graduation ceremonies in 2020 and 2021 have been scheduled to take place as follows:

25 – 29 April 2022
11 – 14 July 2022
18 – 21 July 2022