

NEWMAN UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held Thursday 18th July 2019 at 2.00 pm in ST102/103

Present:

Ms Gayle Ditchburn

Vice-Chair of Council and Acting Chair
for the meeting.

Mr Christian Black

President, Newman Students' Union

- Article 8.3: extend the list to be in conformity with the Equalities Act so that it includes all 9 protected characteristics.

The Clerk reported that the revised Articles would be circulated with an accompanying special resolution and notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting to be scheduled in the new academic year. She noted that should Council members have any further concerns or queries, these should be raised before the general meeting, as the resolution to change the Articles would be considered in full at the EGM without opportunity for further amendments.

Action Clerk to the Council

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Action: Clerk to the Council.

On culture, members considered it important to create a sufficient and convincing critical mass of staff who believed in positive change to enable the culture change needed. It was noted that whilst there was resistance from some staff, the majority were committed to change and had felt that The Big

The regular report updating Council members on OfS matters was presented by the Clerk to the Council. The University's Access and Participation Plan has been submitted to the OfS (b) (4) (c) (7) (e) (9) (6) (8) (1) (2) (3) (6) (7) (a) (5) (7) (1) (4) (9) (1) (7) (n) (4) (3) (1) (4) (9)

was not an indication of the total number of complaints received internally at these institutions.

Action Clerk to the Council

The President of NSU noted that, in addition to the complaints listed in the report, there had been a significant increase in the number of students seeking help from the student advice centre in respect of complaints and that this help had stopped many complaints progressing beyond the informal stage.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Canonisation of John Henry Newman

A paper was circulated which gave the draft itinerary for the proposed visit to Rome for the canonisation of John Henry Newman in October 2019. The University Chaplain had asked for expressions of interest from staff and students who might wish to travel to Rome. The trip would be self-funded. Council members who were interested were asked to notify the Clerk to the Council.

The Clerk to the Council reported that

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The Council
Action Plan from the meeting held on 18th July 2019

Minute	Agenda Item	Action to be Taken	Person Responsible
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