

## Capital Decision Point Committee meeting minutes

The sixth meeting of the Capital Decision Point Committee was held at 10.30pm on Monday 16 March 2020 at 99 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh.

**Present:** Douglas Mundie (Chair)  
Mhairi Harrington  
Professor John Wallace  
Bob Wilson (via telephone)

**Officers:** David Beards  
Rufus Logan  
Angela Seymour (Minutes)

20/07 Welcome

The Chair welcomed members and officers to the meeting.

20/08 Chair's business: Papers for discussion and declarations of interest

The Chair reminded Committee members of their responsibility to indicate if they have, or may be perceived to have, a conflict of interest under any item.

20/09 Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 15 January 2020 (CDPC/20/Min01)

The minutes of the 15 January 2020 were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

20/10 Matters arising (CDPC/20/03)

The Committee noted the actions taken since the previous meeting.

The following paragraph is withheld from publication on the Council website under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Section 30 (Prejudicial to effective conduct of public affairs) and Section 33 (Commercial interests and the economy).

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Achieving Net-Zero Emissions Campus (CDPC/20/04)

The Committee received a paper summarizing the planned activities of the Capital and Climate Change to support and enable Scotland's colleges and universities to achieve the goal of net-zero for campus emissions by 2045.

In discussion the Committee noted:

- The positive step forward whilst acknowledging that much work remained to be done with the sector to develop the detail of the Strategy.
- The value to be found in promoting better space utilization.
- The need for creativity and innovation in reducing carbon emissions
- The focus on working with institutions towards legally binding targets.
- The need to set timescales and milestones in the Strategy.

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Financial Transactions Programme FY2019-20 and FY 2020-21 (CDPC/20/05)

The Committee received a paper setting out the arrangements and priorities for the University Financial Transactions Programme FY2020-21.

The Committee discussed the proposed priorities for the Financial Transactions programme FY2020-21 and noted the following:

- Offers of loan have been issued to institutions for the 17 projects selected for funding in FY2019-20.
- Climate change should be a feature of all proposals
- The programme should place more emphasis on digitally-enabled spaces for learning and research
- The FY2020-21 Financial Transactions programme will involve the deployment of up to £55m on university projects
- £1,888,000 of this has already been committed to the University of Stirling for its Cottrell Building project
- In future, the Committee and Board should not be asked to approve funding for any proposal in advance of others

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Date of next meeting

Members noted that the date of the next meeting of the Committee would be confirmed by correspondence.