



Chair's Report

Purpose

1. This paper provides Council with a report from the Chair on his key external engagements and other relevant business.

External Engagements

2. The Chair's external engagements are noted at the Annex.

Risk assessment

3. There are no risks associated with this paper.

Recommendations

4. The Council is invited to note the content of this report.

Financial implications

5. There are no direct financial implications associated with this paper.

Publication

6. This paper will be published on the Council's website.

Further information

7. Contact: Mike Cantlay, chair@sfc.ac.uk.

Chair's key external engagements

Tuesday 1 May

Meeting with Audit Scotland

Meeting with Mary Senior, University and College Union

Introductory meeting with Ian Diamond, Chair of Edinburgh College

UK Research and Innovation Reception (to mark creation of UKRI), Dynamic Earth, Edinburgh

Tuesday 8 May

Meeting with Aileen McKechnie and Danielle Hennessy, Scottish Government

One-to-one meeting with Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science.

Meeting with Susan Stewart, Open University

Thursday 10 May

Visit to City of Glasgow College to meet Paul Little to discuss strategic change

Wednesday 16 May

20th National Economic Forum, Crichton Campus, Dumfries

Meeting with Dame Barbara Kelly

Strategic Board Dinner, Dumfries

Thursday 17 May

Enterprise & Skills Strategic Board Meeting, Dumfries

Monday 21 May

Visit to Royal Conservatoire of Scotland to performance of "Street Scene"

Thursday 24 May

University of the Highlands and Islands Strategic Dialogue Meeting, Inverness

Friday 25 May

Meeting with Paul Johnston, Scottish Government

Monday 29 May

Ministerial College Innovation Fund Announcement, West College Scotland, Paisley Campus

Tuesday 30 May

Meeting with Andrea Nolan, Edinburgh Napier University

Meeting with Paul Johnston, Scottish Government

Friday 1 June

Visit to Forth Valley College to meet Ken Thomson and Ross Martin

Tuesday 5 June

Meeting with Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science

Thursday 7 June

Meeting with Deputy First Minister

Tuesday 12 June

SFC Fair Access Conference, Perth Concert Hall

Tuesday 19 June

Strategic Board Meeting at Haymarket Terrace