

## **Innovation Refurbishment Arrangement: Update**

In June, Senate considered a note circulated to Senators addressing quality and standards issues raised at the 16th May meeting of Senate.

This note, which has been circulated to the BoS in Law, is an update on the following concerns;

### **Plans for personal tutoring**

The school has been allocated exclusive use of rooms MG11 and MG17 (in the SHS Helpdesk area) for the purpose of personal tutoring. Staff have been asked to inform availability for 2 hours each week, for feedback and support. Staff can choose to hold two hours consecutively or separately throughout the week. These rooms will also be used for PhD students to meet with students.

We also have shared use of D105, 1<sup>st</sup> first floor Rhind Building. This is the SASS counselling psychology room and can be booked by our staff. We are considering using this room for student meetings outside of our regular office hours.

We wish to record our thanks to SHS and SASS for their support in achieving this solution.

### **Plans for supporting research**

Two of the office spaces on the LGF of Myddleton Street are not suitable for quiet working, because they are not sound proofed due to ventilation and heating regulation. Therefore we are exploring the option of installing 2 'pods' for staff to use for one to one meetings/ quiet working. Installing the pods would require the re-location of the staff breakout area into a room which would ensure a self-contained break out environment for staff. We await clearance via a fire risk assessment before this option can be confirmed. In addition:

- Active noise cancelling headphones have been purchased by the School and issued to all staff.
- IT services have ordered several loan laptops for staff and we await delivery.
- A research mentoring scheme is being set up by The Dean

### **Study space arrangements for students**

Until the completion of the new Law building the Saddlers Common Room will be exclusively available to CLS students - the lower portion as a CLS student common room and the upper part will provide CLS students with additional study space to supplement the reduced spaces in the temporary law library space.