A.5 PRESIDENT

A.5.1 THE ROLE OF THE PRESIDENT

The President is the chief executive of City, University of London and reports to the Chair of Council. He/She is the Accountable Officer (or equivalent) with responsibility for advising Council (and the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) if necessary) if City fails to comply with the Memorandum of Assurance and Accountability between HEFCE and Institutions, and the Chief Academic Officer with responsibility for academic performance.

The President is a member of the Council and is an ex-officio member of all Council committees except for Audit & Risk Committee and Remuneration Committee. The President is the Chair of Senate.

The relationship between the President and the Chair of Council is vitally important. Both should ensure that the relationship is constructive but challenging, recognising the proper separation of governance and management and the checks and balances established by the different roles each has, as set out in City’s Charter and Statutes. The Chair of Council appraises the performance of the President and makes recommendations to the Remuneration Committee concerning the President’s terms and conditions and remuneration package.

A.5.2 MAIN RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

The President acts within the limits of delegated authority prescribed by Charter, Statute, Ordinances and Regulations of City and is responsible, subject at all times to the control of Council (or Senate), for:

i. The management of the institution and leadership of its staff.

ii. Reporting to the governing body and ensuring it receives proper and appropriately timed information from the Executive to fulfil its responsibilities.

iii. Acting as the key ambassador for City including leading its fundraising initiatives.

iv. Making proposals to Council about the educational character, mission, strategy and long term business plans of the institution including the performance indicators by which success will be judged.

v. Ensuring and enhancing the academic quality of programmes and the provision of quality services for students.

vi. Leading the research performance of City.

vii. Managing the resources of City including finance, human resources, information and property and facilities.

These responsibilities may be varied (whether by deletion, addition or amendment) by Council from time to time. Changes to the role and who delivers what may be necessary over time - Council has the power to implement the changes that it wishes.