

The next meeting of the University Court will be held on **Wednesday, 18 June 2025 at 3.00 pm in the Large Boardroom, Queen Margaret University campus.**

All agenda items and papers may be disclosed under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 unless specifically exempted by the legislation. Where items cannot be disclosed, the relevant section of the Act is indicated.

\*\*The agenda is divided into starred and non-starred items. Starred items are for discussion and, where appropriate, decision. Non-starred items are for noting only and will not normally be discussed. Any member wishing to discuss a paper listed for noting should contact the Secretary no later than two days before the meeting stating the reason for the request.

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**11 June 2025**

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| Pamela Woodburn (Chair)  Janet Archer  Patrick Bartlett  Professor Richard Butt  Silvia Cardinale  Julie Churchill  Dr Maria Giatsi-Clausen  Sir Paul Grice  Professor John Harper  Ellenore Hobkirk  Steven Hendry  Ann Hill | Dr Kavi Jagadamma  Sofia Khan  Dr Arturo Langa  Zoë MacCallum  James Miller  Jacqueline Morrison  Garvin Sealy  Carol Sinclair  Guy Smith  Bill Stronach  Andrew Watson |

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| **1**  **2**  **3** | **\*Welcome and Membership**  **\*Conflicts of Interest**  To NOTE any conflicts of interest, and to determine any required action  **\*Determination of Other Competent Business** | | |  |
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