Sidney Sussex
COLLEGE

Unreserved business Minutes of **Governing Body** on Wednesday 25 February 2026

Present:

Ex officio	Master
Fellows	Ms Baskerville, Mr Beber (Senior Tutor), Professor Biagini, Dr Bona, Dr Crossan (via Teams), Dr Demetriou (via Teams), Dr Eaton (via Teams), Dr Flynn, Professor Fruk, Professor Garcia-Mayoral, Professor George, The Rev'd Dr Gray, Dr Groom, Dr Harasimov, Dr Hassine, Mr Ireland, Dr Jones, Dr Kurtiç, Professor Noriega-Sánchez (via Teams), Dr Öner (Vice-Master), Mr Pierce (Bursar), Professor Pollitt (via Teams), Dr Ranasinghe, Dr Roddie, Professor Sayed (via Teams), Dr Serjeantson, Dr Sumnall, Dr Theil (via Teams), Dr Weller-Gibbs, Dr Wilson-Lee, Dr Yildirim, Dr Zdencanovic
Student members	Mr Bowyer (JCR Vice-President), Ms Ellis (JCR President), Mr Łastowiecki (MCR President)
In attendance	*Emeriti for item 206:* Professor Cox (via Teams), Professor Sir Alan Dashwood, Professor Dame Sandra Dawson (via teams), Professor Glover, Professor Hughes, Professor McKitterick
In attendance	Mr Cade and Ms Turnbull (MICA Architects), and Ms Smart (Domestic Bursar) for item 206. Ms Ercan (Secretary)

Introductory business

201 Apologies for absence

Professor Al-Tabbaa, Dr Bordin, Professor Eiser, Dr Fulda, Dr Galanakis, Dr Millington and Prof Neely are on leave. Apologies have been received from Dr Carter, Dr Doran, Dr Groisman, Dr Jackson Ravenscroft, Dr Malpetti, Professor Penty, Professor Stasch, and Dr Schneider.

202 Approval of agenda

The agenda was **approved**.

203 Declaration of interests

None.

204 Unreserved business minutes of 12 November 2026 (GB.2526/204)

Confirmed by circulation.

205 Matters arising not elsewhere on the agenda (GB.2526/205)

Governing Body **noted** the items on the action tracker.

Presentation

206 Estates Masterplan presentation (**MICA Architects**) (GB.2526/206)

The Master welcomed Mr Cade and Ms Turnbull of MICA Architects who gave the latest update on the estates masterplan and presented on options. Fellows had an opportunity to ask questions. A further presentation will be given at the next Governing Body meeting in May.

Discussion item

207 Intercollegiate business and other relevant issues (**Master, Bursar, Senior Tutor**)

The Master reported that the Veterinary School will remain open, and offers can now be made to those applicants who had previously received a provisional communication. The Senior Tutor reported back from the Senior Tutors Committee meeting and reported that the key agenda item was the future of the Veterinary School, the approval of the new role description for Directors of Studies, and a discussion on what to do with already printed prospectuses to account for changes to admissions courses.

Information items

208 College Finance: Q2 update (**Bursar**) (GB.2526/208)

Governing Body **noted** the Head of Finance's Q2 update, to which the Bursar spoke.

209 10-Year Major Works plan (**Bursar**) (GB.2526/209)

A revised plan, particularly with respect to later years, will be compiled at the end of the academic year which will incorporate the options decided upon within the estates masterplan. Governing Body **noted** the 10-Year Major Works Plan.

210 Vision and Strategy progress reports (**Master**) (GB.2526/210)

The Master thanked the workstream leads and the Bursar for the progress report, which Council receives at every meeting to monitor progress. Governing Body **noted** the Vision and Strategy progress reports.

211 10 Jesus Lane (**Bursar**) (GB.2526/211)

The Bursar spoke to the paper. The purchase of 10 Jesus Lane is imminent. Following this meeting Council will make the decision as to how to fund the purchase. Governing Body **noted** the update.

Reports from Committees

212 College Council 12 November 2025 (**confirmed**) (GB.2526/212)

Received.

213 College Council 3 December 2025 (**confirmed**) (GB.2526/213)

Received.

214 College Council 28 January 2026 (unconfirmed) (GB.2526/214)
Received.

Other business

215 Any other business
There was no other business.

216 Date of next meeting
Wednesday 27 May 2026 at 2.00pm in the William Mong Hall.