Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Governors held on 18 February 2021.

Present: Bob Harrison, Clive Macdonald, Yultan Mellor (Principal), Tim Thornton, Mike Bramhall,

Colin Forrest, Liz Stanley, John Edwards, Neil James, Ken Richardson, Frank Lord and

Ann Corrigan.

In attendance: The Assistant Principal – Finance and Business Services (Joy Whistlecraft), the Assistant

Principal – Student Experience (Diane Lawson), the Assistant Principal – Curriculum, Quality and Market Development (Emma Beal), the Head of Human Resources (Elin

Longley) and the Clerk to the Governors (Sarah Johnson).

Apologies: Angus Morrison.

B21/1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

B21/2 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked members for attending at short notice.

B21/3 The Board considered an introduction to the background of the meeting, including:

- the history of the College from its establishment in 1977, its transition though a range of funding bodies and its current funding arrangements;
- the external issues which had impacted on the College over recent months including already implemented and planned future changes to residential funding, the forthcoming devolution of the adult skills budget, the ESFA funding assurance audit and the impact of COVID-19;
- the outcome of the diagnostic assessment undertaken by the further education commissioner on 15 and 16 February 2021.

B21/4 FEC DIAGNOSTIC ASSESSMENT (Document 1i)

A separate confidential minute was recorded.

B21/5 DATES OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

11 March 2021– 11.00am 15 July 2021– 11.00am