

# **Principal's Strategy Group Meeting**

## **30 January 2012**

Amongst the items discussed were:

### **1. Enhancing Student Support Update**

Vice Principal Hounsell updated PSG on the project progress to date and commented on the positive feedback and momentum that is building around the initiative. The following points were noted in the subsequent discussion:

- The project will be delivered in phases but with the majority of new processes in place during 2012/13. Other aspects, most notably the IT system support, will be completed at a later stage.
- PSG agreed that the University would adopt single common IT systems to support the personal tutor which would help to minimise the delay in bringing the IT system support live.
- Staff Committee would be asked to work with the Student Support Implementation Group on the reward and recognition strand of the work.
- There was a positive response to the role definition work but it was acknowledged that some flexibility across Colleges and within Schools would be necessary.

### **2. Student Support Services Review**

Assistant Principal Rigby updated PSG on the remit and scope of the review of Student Support Services. The Group welcomed the review which is timely given the impact of the student support project and the changing University student demographic.

### **3. Postgraduate Students' Allowance Scheme**

PSG discussed and endorsed an approach to meet an anticipated shortfall that is likely following changes to the funding arrangements of the PSAS scheme.

### **5. Chancellor's Fellowships**

Senior Vice Principal Brown updated the Group on the positive response across most Schools to the recruitment of the new Chancellor's Fellows.