



## 5 DECEMBER MEETING

Council met on 5 December 2024 and considered, noted, or approved the following items.

### **Chancellor's report to Council – December 2024**

Council noted the 'Chancellor's report to Council – December 2024'.

### **Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – December 2024**

Council considered the 'Vice-Chancellor's report to Council – December 2024', which is available at the following address: [Reports to Council - QUT Digital Workplace](#) (QUT staff access only).

### **Report from University Academic Board on academic governance activities**

Council noted the key matters actioned by the University Academic Board at its 19 November 2024 meeting, including the update on a strategic academic discussion focussed on QUT Sport, which included an update on activities that involved engagement with students; the impacts on Generative Artificial Intelligence (GenAI) in learning, teaching, and assessment; student attraction and retention; and impacts of the introduction of the new National Student Ombudsman.

### **Reports from other Council committees**

Council resolved to note the reports from Council committees.

### **QUT Corporate Performance Report September 2024**

Council resolved to note the Corporate Performance Report September 2024 on the University's Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) and recommended the new Vice-President Engagement and Chief Marketing Officer be invited to a future meeting to present on the University's marketing strategy.

### **2024 Higher Degree Research Course Performance Reports**

Council resolved to note Faculty responses to the Higher Degree Research Course Performance Reports.

### **Strategic outcomes and actions from the Council Strategy Day**

Council resolved to note the strategic outcomes and actions from the Council Strategy Day, including a summary of the discussion, identified key considerations, and proposed management actions.

### **Update on the QUT Campus Master Plan – Confidential**

Council noted the *confidential* update on the QUT Campus Master Plan. Council further resolved to note the approach and consultation undertaken to review QUT's Campus Master Plan, proposed concepts, catalyst projects, and next steps.

### **QUT Financial Plan – 2025 – Confidential**

Council resolved to approve the QUT Financial Plan – 2025 as represented in the report. Council further resolved to approve an additional amount of 2025 Physical Program expenditure in the event that expenditure carries over from 2024 to 2025.

### **Investment and Borrowings Performance Report**

Council resolved to note the investment and borrowings performance for the period ended 30 September 2024.

### **QUT Student Guild – Annual Audited Financials (1 July 2023 – 30 June 2024)**

Council resolved to note the Audited Financial Report of the QUT Student Guild for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024. Council requested the QUT Student Guild report back to them on specific matters within the financials.

### **QUT Related Parties Register – Update**

Council resolved to note the related parties' accounting standard (AASB124), including specific clarification of the requirement to disclose 'close family member' dealings with QUT as the reporting entity; the information contained in the submission and in the attachment provided; and to provide advice to the Director, QUT Governance on any updates to

disclosures of relevant interests set out in the agenda to ensure that QUT can update the QUT Related Parties Register and report any related party matters in the 2024 annual financial statements.

**2023 External Council Governance Review at QUT – Evaluation of Council’s oversight of QUT’s controlled entities**

Council resolved to approve the recommendations as they relate to oversight of QUT’s controlled entities and to refer the recommendations to the Business Development Portfolio for implementation and reporting back to Council on progress by July 2025.

**2023 External Council Governance Review at QUT – Implementation Plan Final Update**

Council resolved to note the final “External Council Governance Review” implementation plan update.

**Annual compliance review – Voluntary Code of Best Practice for the Governance of Australian Universities**

Council resolved to note the status of QUT’s compliance with the Voluntary Code of Best Practice for the Governance of Australian Universities.

**New Policy Governance Framework**

Council resolved to approve the proposed new policy, Policy Governance Framework, to take effect immediately.

**Proposed changes to the Quality and Standards Framework**

Council resolved to approve the revised Quality and Standards Framework.

**QUT Council Charter**

Council resolved to approve the new QUT Council Charter, to be published in the committee charters module of the Manual of Policies and Procedures (MOPP) and to approve the rescission of the policy, QUT Council. Council noted the transfer of sections relating to honorary doctorates and Life Fellowships, currently in the QUT Council policy, to the Digital Workplace and public website.

**Award of title Professor Emeritus to Professor Kevin Burrage**

Council resolved to approve the award of title of Professor Emeritus to Professor Kevin Burrage, effective from his retirement from QUT on 31 December 2024.

**Award of title Professor Emeritus to Professor Ian Turner**

Council resolved to approve the award of title of Professor Emeritus to Professor Ian Turner, effective from his retirement from QUT on 31 December 2024.

**Items for information**

- Post meeting action sheet – 24 October 2024
- Council annual work plan and items pending.