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EDUCATION

**The University of the West of Scotland (Amendment
of the University of Paisley (Scotland) Order
of Council 1993) Order of Council 2015**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>26th May 2015</i>
<i>Laid before the Scottish Parliament</i>	- - - -	<i>28th May 2015</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>26th June 2015</i>

At the Council Chamber, Whitehall, the 26th day of May 2015
By the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council

Their Lordships make the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 45 and 60 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992⁽¹⁾ and all other powers enabling them to do so.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the University of the West of Scotland (Amendment of the University of Paisley (Scotland) Order of Council 1993) Order of Council 2015 and comes into force on 26th June 2015.

Amendment of the University of Paisley (Scotland) Order of Council 1993

2. The University of Paisley (Scotland) Order of Council 1993⁽²⁾ is amended in accordance with articles 3 to 5.

3.—(1) Article 6 (membership) is amended as follows.

(2) In paragraph (1)(b)—

(a) for “matriculated” in each place it occurs substitute “enrolled”;

(1) [1992 c.37](#) to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(2) [S.I. 1993/558](#), amended by [S.S.I. 2007/426](#) and [S.S.I. 2009/194](#). Article 3 of [S.S.I. 2007/426](#) changed the name of the University of Paisley to “The University of the West of Scotland” in accordance with section 49 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 by resolution of the governing body on 17th October 2006 and consent of the Privy Council on 18th July 2007.

- (b) at the end of head (ii) omit “and”;
 - (c) for head (iii) substitute—
 - “(iii) such other governors being not less than twelve and not more than sixteen, as determined in accordance with paragraph (2), appointed by the Court and being persons reflecting a variety of different interests and experience, having regard to the balance of skills, attributes and experience required to enable the Court to function effectively; and
 - (iv) one governor appointed by the Court to chair the Court.”; and
 - (d) in the full-out words after head (iii) for “paragraph (iii)” substitute “paragraph (1)(b)(iii) and (iv)”.
- (3) For paragraph (5) substitute—
- “(5) The Court may appoint one or more deputy chairs as may be required from time to time from among the governors appointed under paragraph (1)(b)(iii) and for such times as it determines and for such duties as it prescribes.”.
4. For article 7(1) (period of office) substitute—
- “(1) Subject to paragraph (1A), no person other than an *ex officio* governor shall be appointed or elected to the Court for a term of office of more than 4 years.
- (1A) No person other than an *ex officio* governor shall be appointed or elected to the Court if their term of office would, if aggregated with any previous terms of office, mean that the person would serve as a member of the Court for a continuous period of more than 9 years, unless the Court considers that exceptional circumstances exist to warrant an extension beyond the limit of 9 years.”.
- 5.—(1) Schedule 2 (senate) is amended as follows.
- (2) In paragraph 1(a) omit head (iv).
 - (3) In paragraph 1(a)(v) for “heads” substitute “deans”.
 - (4) For paragraph 1(c)(i) substitute—
 - “(i) from each school, one member elected by and from the academic staff of the school;”.
 - (5) In paragraphs 1(d)(ii) and 3 for “matriculated” in each place it occurs substitute “enrolled”.
 - (6) In paragraph 4 for “heads of school” substitute “deans of school”.

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the University of Paisley (Scotland) Order of Council 1993 (“the 1993 Order”). Article 3 of the University of the West of Scotland Order of Council 2007 ([S.S.I. 2007/426](#)) changed the name of the University of Paisley to “The University of the West of Scotland” but the 1993 Order remains the principal governance order in relation to the University of the West of Scotland (“the University”), made under section 45 of the Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992.

Article 3 of this Order amends article 6 of the 1993 Order so that separate provision is now made for the chair to be a member of the governing body of the University rather than for the chair simply to be drawn from a constituent part of that membership. Provision continues to be made in new paragraph (5) for deputy chairs to be drawn from among the governors appointed under paragraph (1) (b)(iii).

The range of governors to be appointed under that paragraph is reduced by one to be between twelve and sixteen. Instead of restricting appointment to persons with experience in a closed list of specified fields, new paragraph (1)(b)(iii) restricts appointment to persons who reflect a variety of different interests and experience, having regard to the balance of skills, attributes and experience required to enable the governing body to function effectively.

Article 4 amends article 7 of the 1993 Order so that the maximum term of office for all members of the governing body of the University other than *ex officio* governors remains 4 years provided that the total aggregate term of office is no more than 9 years, unless the Court considers that exceptional circumstances justify an extension beyond 9 years. The previous maximum aggregate term of office was 12 years.

Article 5 makes minor amendments to Schedule 2 to the 1993 Order to reflect restructuring of the University’s Senate.