



At the Court at Buckingham Palace

THE 15TH DAY OF JULY 2015

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY
IN COUNCIL

Her Majesty in Council has allowed the amendments to the Charter of The University of Bradford as set out in the Schedule to this Order.

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENTS TO THE CHARTER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRADFORD

Delete Articles 1 to 27 and **substitute** Articles 1 to 30.

- “1. By this Charter there shall be constituted and founded a University by the name of ‘The University of Bradford’ (‘the University’).
2. The members for the time being of the Court, the Council, the Senate, the members of staff of the University, the graduates of the University, the students of the University, the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellors and the Treasurer and all others who shall pursuant to this our Charter and the Statutes of the University for the time being be members of the University are hereby constituted and from henceforth for ever shall be one body politic and corporate with perpetual succession and a Common Seal by the name and style of The University of Bradford (hereinafter called the ‘University’).
3. The objects of the University shall be to advance education and knowledge through teaching and research; and the application of knowledge to societal welfare and in particular (although without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing) teaching and research in technological, scientific, social and professional disciplines in an environment of equality and diversity. In furtherance of those objects it shall (a) collaborate with industry, commerce, the professions and other institutions; and (b) in addition to its national and

international roles, it shall have a particular commitment to the economic and educational well-being of the city of Bradford and to the district and region.

4. The University shall be a teaching, research and an examining body and shall, within the law and subject to the Charter and the Statutes, have the following powers:
 - a) To prescribe in its Statutes or Ordinances the requirements for Matriculation and the conditions under which persons shall be admitted to the University or to any particular course of study therein;
 - b) To award degrees and other academic awards (including honorary degrees and other honorary awards) and to withdraw, for good cause, such degrees or awards;
 - c) To provide instruction in such branches of learning as the University may think fit and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as the University may determine;
 - d) To co-operate and collaborate with other institutions and individuals for the purposes of teaching, research and assessment and associated services as such activity fits with the strategy of the University, and to award joint degrees or other awards;
 - e) To affiliate or incorporate into the University any other institution to take over its property, rights, liabilities and staff;
 - f) To transfer the assets and liabilities of the University to another institution with the same as, or similar to, the objects of the University;
 - g) To establish companies;
 - h) To institute Professorships, Readerships, Senior Lectureships, Lectureships, and any other offices of any kind and whether academic or not as the purposes of the University may require, to appoint persons and to remove them from such offices, and to prescribe their conditions of service;
 - i) To institute and award Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Exhibitions, Bursaries and Prizes and other aids to study and research;
 - j) To solicit, receive and administer fees, grants, subscriptions, donations, endowments, legacies, gifts and loans of any property whatsoever whether land or personal property;
 - k) To act as trustee for an in relation to endowments, legacies and gifts;

- l) To take such steps as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the University, and to raise money in such other manner as the University may deem fit;
 - m) To acquire, own, maintain, manage and dispose of land and other property;
 - n) To invest any monies in the hands of the University and available for investment;
 - o) In furtherance of the objects, and so far as permitted by charity law, to give guarantees;
 - p) In furtherance of the objects, and so far as permitted by charity law, to borrow and raise money and give security for loans; and for those purposes the University shall have the authority to enter into any financial instrument which is ancillary or incidental to the exercise of such powers;
 - q) To obtain through the College of Arms a grant of armorial bearings;
 - r) To provide for the discipline of the students of the University in such manner as may be prescribed by the Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations.
5. The University may, and may only, confer benefits on members of the Council if the benefit has been authorised by the Council in accordance with the Ordinances. In this clause 'benefit' includes:
- a) buying any goods or services from the University;
 - b) selling goods, services, or any interest in land to the University;
 - c) being employed by, or receiving any remuneration from the University;
 - d) receiving any other financial benefit from the University.
6. There shall be a Chancellor of the University who shall be entitled to confer Degrees and other academic awards of the University.
7. There shall be a Vice-Chancellor of the University who shall be the chief academic and administrative officer of the University and shall preside over meetings of its Senate and shall, in the absence of the Chancellor or during a vacancy in that office, confer Degrees and other academic awards of the University.
8. There shall be a Treasurer of the University.
9. There shall be such other officers of the University as the Council may from time to time determine who shall perform such functions and duties as may be

decided by Council, including for the conferment of degrees in the absence of the Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor.

10. There shall be a Court of the University ('the Court') which, subject to the provisions of the Charter and the Statutes, shall appoint the Chancellor and have the right to receive reports on the working of the University.
11. There shall be a Council of the University ('Council') which shall be the principal governing body of the University and shall have the custody and use of the Common Seal; be responsible for the management and administration of the revenue and property of the University; and for the conduct of the affairs of the University with authority to delegate its powers as provided in the Statutes. The membership of Council will comprise a majority of lay members. The Chair of Council will be a lay member and may be either drawn from the existing lay membership or appointed for the purpose. The terms of office for members of Council (other than ex officio members) will be a maximum of no more than three terms of three years. The terms of reference for Council are set out in University Ordinance.
12. There shall be a Senate of the University ('Senate') which shall be the principal academic body of the University, the terms of reference for which will be set out in University Ordinance.
13. It shall be the duty of the Council to refer to the Senate any matters, which in its opinion, should be dealt with by the Senate.
14. It shall be the duty of Senate to bring before the Council any matter coming before the Senate that the Senate considers to have financial implications or in any way to affect the general well-being of the University or of its relationship with persons and bodies outside the University.
15. There shall be constituted, subject to the provisions the Charter and the Statutes, such units of organisation for the management and administration of cognate teaching and research activity as deemed appropriate by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Senate. There will be a Board for the oversight of each such unit of organisation.
16. There shall be an Assembly of the University.
17. There shall be a Students' Union of the University. The constitution of the Students' Union, its powers and functions and all other relevant regulatory matters shall be as prescribed in the Ordinances.
18. The University shall not make any dividend, gift, division or bonus in money unto or between any of its members except by way of prize reward or special grant, including as payment of reasonable and proper remuneration for goods or services supplied by the University.

19. Academic staff employed by the University shall have freedom within the law to question and test received wisdom, and to put forward new ideas and controversial or unpopular opinions without placing themselves in jeopardy of losing their jobs or privileges.
20. The University shall not discriminate against any person on the grounds of race, nationality, ethnic origin, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, religion, social backgrounds or political belief.
21. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes may prescribe or regulate as the case may be:
 - a) The constitution, powers, duties and functions (as the case may be) of the Court, the Council, the Senate, the Boards of the academic units of organisation, and the Assembly.
 - b) All such other matters as the Council may deem fit for the governing of the University, its members and constituent parts or otherwise for the promotion of the objects of the Charter.
22. The Statutes of the University will remain in force until they have been amended, varied or repealed in the manner prescribed in the following provisions.
23. The Council may amend, vary or repeal Statutes after consultation with the Senate, provided that no such amendments shall be contrary to the provisions of the Charter, and shall not have effect until approved by the Lords of Our Most Honourable Privy Council, of which approval, a Certificate under the hand of the Clerk of Our said Privy Council shall be conclusive evidence.
24. The Council may make Ordinances and may amend, vary or repeal any Ordinances so made.
25. Subject to the provisions of the Charter, the Statutes and the Ordinances, the Senate may, within the responsibilities delegated to it by the Council, make, add to, amend or revoke Regulations relating to:
 - a) teaching, research, programmes of study and the award of degrees and other academic awards;
 - b) the conduct of examinations;
 - c) the requirements for admission to the University and to any particular scheme of study;
 - d) the conditions under which students shall be permitted to continue their studies in the University;
 - e) academic dress, and

- f) the discipline of students of the University.
26. The Council may at any time, amend, vary or repeal, the Charter at a meeting of which not less than ten working days' notice has been given to each of its members, by a resolution passed by not less than three-fourths of the members of Council present and voting and such amendment, variation or repeal shall, when allowed by Us, Our Heirs or Successors in Council, have effect so that the Charter shall continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made as so amended, varied or repealed.
 27. Article 26 shall apply to the Charter as amended, varied or repealed.
 28. No Article or provision of the Charter shall be amended, varied or repealed otherwise than as prescribed in Article 26 or by Supplemental Charter.
 29. In the Charter 'Statutes' means the Statutes set out in the Schedule and any Statutes amending, varying or repealing then which may be made and may be approved by the Lords of our Most Honourable Privy Council. 'Ordinances' means Acts of the Council of the University under the powers conferred by the Charter to which our further sanction is not required. 'Regulations' except when otherwise required by the context, means Regulations made pursuant to the Charter or to the Statutes or Ordinances.
 30. Our Royal Will and Pleasure is that this Our Charter shall ever be construed benevolently and in every case most favourably to the University and the promotion of the objects of this Our Charter".