

**Minutes of the meeting of the SOUTH BANK COLLEGES  
held on Friday 14 February 2025, 4:00 PM — 5:00 PM GMT  
Microsoft Teams**

**Present**

Prof. Ruth Farwell (Chair)  
Sue Dare  
Mee Ling Ng  
Thesia Kouloungou  
Issa Issa  
Steve Balmont  
David Phoenix

**Apologies**

None

**In attendance**

Samuel Curtis  
Monica Marongiu  
Chris Knell  
Wayne Wright  
Simon Cruickshank  
Fiona Morey  
Rychard Scrase-Field  
Ola Dejo-Ojomo

**1. Welcome and apologies**

The Chair welcomed members of the Board to the extraordinary meeting.

**2. Declarations of Interest**

Both the Chair and Dave Phoenix declared an interest advising that they both sit on the LSBU Board.

**3. Options for the Phase 2 Scheme**

The Board received an update on the options for Phase two of the SBC estates strategy, following a summary of progress to date.

The Board noted:

- a) The executive has currently modelled five options against a range of variable parameters, all of which support the future development of the SBC Estate, however only three of which are recommended for consideration as viable options.
- b) It was important to remain true to SBC's ambitious vision, whilst being conscious of the affordability given the rising costs and the lending obligations to LSBU.

- c) If a decision is made at this meeting, this matter will then be referred to the LSBU Board for approval (as per the SBC governance agreement).
- d) The Executive has had discussions with the Department for Education (DfE) advising that the development of block D will be paused. The DfE is supportive of this change and of the direction of travel of the estates strategy as a whole.

During the discussion the board noted:

- a) An equality impact assessment relating to the decant location options would be provided to the board when relevant.

Following discussing the advantages and disadvantages of each of the viable option presented, the Board agreed to proceed with proposal outlined in the original Heads of Terms (option 3).

**Date of next meeting**  
16:00 on 04 March 2025

**Confirmed as a true record**

..... (Chair)