

To The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

THE HUMBLE PETITION OF the Trustees of Homerton College as listed at the end of this document.

SHEWETH as follows:-

1. That Homerton College (hereinafter referred to as “the College”) is an Approved Society of the University of Cambridge governed under the provisions of a Trust Deed dated the Twelfth day of October Two Thousand and One (herein after “the Trust Deed of Two Thousand and One”).
2. That by a Trust Deed dated the Twenty-Seventh of October One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight the society known as the King’s Head Society did purchase certain properties in Homerton High Street, London, for the purpose of the education of young men in the Christian Ministry and that by resolution of the Society on the Twenty-Sixth Day of June One Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty Three it was resolved that the Society be henceforth known as the Homerton College Society. That by a further Trust Deed of The Tenth day of February One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Four the College was refounded by the Congregational Board for Education as Homerton College to provide for Men and Women a place wherein they may train to become teachers. And that in the year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety Five the Congregational Board of education, having acquired the buildings and estate of the former Cavendish College, did transfer the College to its present location in Cambridge. And that on the First Day of September One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Seven the University of Cambridge did grant to the College the status of Approved Society within the University
3. That the object of the Trust Deed of Two Thousand and One is to maintain the College as a place of education, religion, learning and research.
4. That in pursuance of this object there has been provided for persons who are members of the University of Cambridge a College wherein

they may work for degrees of the University and that the College has, subject to the Statutes and Ordinances of the University, presented such persons for degrees and other qualifications of the University.

5. That under the said Trust Deed there have been appointed a Principal and first body of Fellows of the College and that a Council of the College has been established which has been elected by the Fellows and to which Trustees have devolved functions and powers concerning the government of the College.

6. That in addition to the Principal the College has 50 Fellows.

7. That the College has 1154 students in the current academical year, of whom 593 are undergraduate students reading a wide range of subjects, 226 are graduate students of the University and 335 are training to become teachers.

8. That the College owns the freehold of its 25 acre estate.

9. That the College possesses investments, property and other assets with nominal value of approximately £113 million.

10. That on the ..th day of .. Two thousand and ... the University did confer upon the College full collegiate status under statute K.3(a) of the University Statues.

11. That at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the College held on the ..th day of ... Two Thousand and Eight the following resolutions were passed with the concurrence of the Fellows:

A. Approval of draft Petition and Charter

That the drafts of the present Petition and Charter presented to the meeting for identification signed by the Chairman of the

Board of Trustees and Principal of the College be, and hereby are, approved.

B. Direction to Petition.

That the Trustees of the College be and hereby are, directed and empowered to take all necessary steps to petition The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council to grant a Royal Charter of Incorporation to the College.

C. Adoption of Statutes.

That the Statutes set out in the draft produced to the meeting and for the purpose of identification signed by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and the Principal of the College be, and hereby are, adopted as the Statutes of the College.

D. Transfer of Assets.

That if and when such a Charter be granted all assets of every description held in trust for the College be transferred to vest in the College thereby incorporated subject nevertheless to the incorporated College defraying, providing for and assuming all debts, obligations and liabilities of the Trust Fund administered by the Trustees of the College under the Trust Deed of Two Thousand and One.

E. Delegation of Powers.

That the Chairman of the Board of Trustees or failing him, the Principal of the College be and hereby is authorised and empowered to assent to any modification in the terms of the said Charter and statutes set forth in the Schedule to this petition which Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council may authorise or require.

F. Delegated Authority to Sign Petition.

That Sir David Harrison and Dr Katharine Bridget Pretty be, and hereby are, authorised on behalf of the Trustees to sign the petition to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council for the grant of a Royal Charter of Incorporation.

11. That the granting of a Royal Charter would be recognition of the College acquiring permanent full collegiate status within the University of Cambridge.

YOUR PETITIONERS therefore most humbly pray that Your Majesty may be graciously pleased in the exercise of Your Royal Prerogative to grant a Charter to Your Petitioners in the terms of the draft herewith submitted or in such other terms as may to Your Majesty seem proper.

AND YOUR PETITIONERS will ever pray etc.

THE SIGNATURES OF THE TRUSTEES OF HOMERTON COLLEGE were made hereunto this... day of... Two Thousand and Eight

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