

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM

Report from Review Panel on Residential Hall Education and Culture

The Review Panel on Residential Hall Education and Culture was commissioned by the Senior Management Team (SMT) to conduct a review with the following terms of reference:

“To examine residential hall education and culture in the light of the mission, vision and core values of the University, with a view to recommending changes that may be necessary (including to existing rules and regulations, management structures and operational models) to enable the halls of residence to contribute as fully as possible to the achievement of the University’s educational aims.”

The Review Panel presented its report to the SMT on September 27, 2017. The report was considered initially by members of the SMT through rounds of informal discussion *via* emails and then at one of SMT’s regular meetings which took place on October 26 and was attended by the full Review Panel.

The President and members of SMT applauded the thoroughness of the Review Panel’s report and its 43 recommendations covering many aspects of residential hall life. While SMT raised some additional aspects beyond the terms of reference of the review which will need further consideration, such as issues relating to postgraduate residence, recommendations which might result in difficulties for non-local students, and detailed costing of the financial implications of some of the recommendations, the SMT warmly welcomed the recommendations and wishes to see progress made as soon as possible towards full implementation. SMT has directed that the report itself should be disseminated as widely as possible among the various stakeholders. It will be discussed by the Committee on Halls and the Committee on Student Affairs and their comments together with those of SMT will accompany the report when it is presented to the Senate at its January 2018 meeting.

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