

# Legal and Civic Services Department

## Democratic Services Section



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Mr. R. Feeney  
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Dear Mr. Feeney,

### **Impact of the Cost of Living Crisis on Queen's University staff and students**

At the special meeting of the City Growth and Regeneration Committee held on 26th October, 2022, a presentation was received from Queen's University to discuss the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on both its staff and students.

During discussion, you had pointed out that the University had a Widening Participation Programme which assisted student intake came from lower income backgrounds and that QUB were exploring new initiatives in this regard and advised that further information would be provided to the Committee in relation to how areas of social deprivation benefit from the economic impact of the University.

Furthermore, at its meeting in November, the Council agreed to write to you, to clarify if all staff would be in receipt of the Cost-of-living assistance payment outlined at the Committee, such as temporary and agency staff. The Council also requested recent data on the number of international and local student admissions, together with information on the potential impact funding cuts might have on future admissions.

I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eilish McGoldrick'.

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