

# Law Foundation

Annual Report for the year 1 August 2020 to 31 July 2021

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## 1) Trustees serving during 2020-21

David Ryan	2017-2021 (Chair)
Andrew Mackie	2018-2021 (representing the Vice-Chancellor)
Susan Bright	2018-2021 (appointed by the Law Board)
Tina Cook QC	2018-2021
Rachel Brandenburger	2018-2021
Jennifer Payne	2020-2023
Mindy Chen-Wishart	2020-2023 ( <i>ex officio</i> as Dean of the Faculty of Law)

Secretary: Harry Lewendon-Evans, Development Assistant in the Faculty of Law  
In Attendance: Maureen O'Neill and Charlotte Vinnicombe

## 2) Re-cap of Charitable Objectives

The Law Foundation is constituted as a charitable trust governed by a Declaration of Trust.

The charitable objectives of the Law Foundation are to promote and develop the study of the theory and practice of law in all its branches, whether at the University or elsewhere, by staff of the University, by those holding visiting appointments at the University, and by students pursuing courses of study approved by the University.

## 3) Meetings

The trustees held their annual meeting online on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

## 4) Membership

David Ryan was approved to continue as Chair of the Trustees in 2020-2021.

## 5) Financial position

The balance brought forward at the beginning of the financial year was £907,735. By year ending 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021, total income was £113,119, and expenditure was £82,136. The market value of funds held at year end was £938,718.

## 6) New expenditure approved during 2020/21

- a) Positive Action DPhil Scholarships (up to £50k per year for 4 years)
- b) 40% FTE of Equality and Diversity Officer's role (£15,900)
- c) Africa Oxford Initiative\* Law Fellow (£6,000)

\*The Africa-Oxford Initiative (AfOx) is a cross-university platform designed to promote collaboration between Oxford and African institutions. The Law Foundation agreed to increase its support for the Law Faculty's participation in this scheme.

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