



Meeting Minutes

Meeting	Trustee Board	
	Management Board	
	Executive Committee	
	Finance & Commercial Development	
	Appointments & Remuneration	
	Compliance, Governance & Risk	
	Other: SVR meeting	

Meeting Date	Wednesday 18 th March 2026
Meeting Time	12.00pm
Attendance	
Present	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 SVRs. • 10 HISA staff and officers

Section	Minutes
1. SVR Teams space	Promotion and discussion of the SVR Teams space.
2. Headlines from HISA	The President gave an overview of recent developments in HISA, including election results, recent and forthcoming HISA referendums, the SPA, UHI Transformation, HISA Awards, and the launch of the new SVR Impact Competition. Dates were shared for April's SVR meetings where known.
3. Feedback on February's SLE theme (Resources, Environment and Technologies).	The President updated on the themes from our February meetings, which are posted on our website's SVR meetings page. Key outcomes relating to Resource, Environment and Technologies included Brightspace, facilities, social spaces and support for technology. HISA will take forward actions locally and regionally on these points.
4. SLE theme: Support and Guidance	SVRs contributed to our discussion about our SLE theme. Key points included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variation in the support provided to students, with limitations including staff capacity and continuity, and issues being spotted late. • There was little awareness among SVRs of Personal Learning Support Plans (PLSPs), meaning little capacity to signpost.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In terms of what contributes to retention, students praised the course content and support from staff. But many concerns were expressed about poor support and issue with bullying which are deterring students from continuing. <p>Fuller details can be found in our summary report for the SLE theme on our SVR meetings page.</p> <p>Main actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of actions will be taken up by local teams where relevant to specific feedback. • Points relating to support overall will be raised with key UHI staff.
5. Open chat	Further conversations with SVRs occurred, with topics relating to retention and social/academic community building.