**Public Benefit**

Middlesex University is an independent Higher Education Corporation with powers defined under the Education Reform Act 1988 and the Further and Higher Education Act 1992. Its Instrument of Government was approved by the Privy Council in March 1993.

The University is also an exempt charity under the Charities Act 2011 and subject to monitoring by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) in its role as principle regulator under the terms of the Charities Act 2011. This act requires the University to demonstrate clearly the public benefit it provides and that these are related to the aims of the University. For the purposes of charity law the Governors are the trustees of the University and, as required, have regard to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit.

At Middlesex, we put students first and enable them to become partners and co-creators of their future success.

We want to achieve this while opening up opportunities, attracting students from diverse backgrounds as we see a mix of perspectives and influences is a resource for learning, personal development and social change.

We have become truly global but our sense of community is still very important. We have over 1,900 members of staff and almost 37,000 students across the globe. Our

London campus is in Barnet, one of London’s largest boroughs, where we generate more than £280m a year for the local economy. The University supports 4,000 local jobs.

At Middlesex, we see vitally important roles for both high quality research and professional, entrepreneurial and creative practice in enhancing student learning. To achieve this, we promote the use of our academics’ research and practice in their teaching. Our research, practice and knowledge exchange will have real world impact and enhance our external reputation as an applied institution engaged with tackling complex issues to improve lives.