

ELIZABETH THE SECOND

BY THE GRACE OF GOD OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND OF OUR OTHER REALMS AND TERRITORIES QUEEN, HEAD OF THE COMMONWEALTH, DEFENDER OF THE FAITH.

To all those to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting!

WHEREAS THE CONGREGATIONAL BOARD FOR EDUCATION did by a Trust Deed dated the Tenth day of February One Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty Four refound Homerton College to provide for Men and Women a place wherein they may train to become teachers and whereas on the First Day of September One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy Seven the University of Cambridge did grant to Homerton College the status of Approved Society within the University and whereas Homerton College is currently governed under a Charity Commission Scheme dated the First of June Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven and a Trust Deed dated the Twelfth day of October Two Thousand and One (hereinafter 'the Trust Deed of Two Thousand and One');

AND WHEREAS the Trustees of Homerton College have by humble petition prayed that We might be graciously pleased to grant it a Charter of Incorporation for the purpose of constituting the present community of the College a body corporate under the title of 'The Principal, Fellows and Scholars of Homerton College in the University of Cambridge';

AND WHEREAS We have taken the said petition into our Royal Consideration and are minded to accede thereto;

NOW THEREFORE KNOW YE that We by virtue of Our Royal Prerogative and of all other powers enabling Us so to do have of our especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion granted and declared and do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors grant and declare as follows:

1. The first Principal and Fellows of Homerton College and all such persons as may hereafter become members of the body corporate hereby constituted shall for ever hereafter be one body politic and corporate by the name and style of 'The Principal, Fellows and Scholars of Homerton College in the University of Cambridge' (hereinafter referred to as 'the College') and by the same name shall have perpetual succession and a Common Seal with power to break alter and make anew the said Seal from time to time at their will and pleasure and by the same name shall and may sue and be sued in all Courts and before all Justices of Us, Our Heirs and Successors.

2. By the same name the College shall have full power and capacity to accept, acquire and hold any personal property whatsoever and shall also without any further authority by virtue of this Our Charter have full power and capacity to accept, acquire and hold any lands and hereditaments and to dispose of either by way of sale or lease and to exchange, mortgage, charge, improve, manage, develop, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of such property real or personal belonging to the College upon such terms and in such manner as it shall see fit and also to do all other things incidental or appertaining to a body corporate. Provided always that nothing in this Article shall be deemed to empower the College to dispose of or deal with its property in the manner above mentioned without first obtaining such consent as would otherwise be required by law.

3. The College is incorporated and shall be conducted with the following objects:
 - a. For the public benefit to advance education, religion, learning and research within the University of Cambridge;
 - b. For the public benefit to provide for persons who shall be members of the University a College wherein they may work for degrees of the University of Cambridge.

4. In addition to any other powers it may have the College shall have the following powers in order to further its objects:
 - a. To acquire and take over the properties and liabilities now vested in the Trustees of Homerton College under the Trust Deed of Two Thousand and One;
 - b. To apply the moneys of the College including any money acquired or taken over as aforesaid for the purpose of the College with power to invest as prescribed in the Statutes of the College;
 - c. To administer any trust or scheme for the purposes connected with the objects of the College;
 - d. To do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the carrying out of the above objects.

5. The College shall have power, subject to the Statutes of the University of Cambridge, to present candidates for matriculation by the University and for degrees of the University.

6. The Visitor of the College shall be the Chancellor of the University of Cambridge.
7. The first Principal of the College shall be Katharine Bridget Pretty. Such persons as at the date of this Our Charter are Fellows of Homerton College shall be the first Fellows of the College. The Statutes of the College shall apply to the first Principal and Fellows as if they had been appointed pursuant to the Statutes save that due regard shall be had to the terms of their appointment as Officers or Fellows of Homerton College previous to the date of this Our Charter. Any subsequent Principal of the College or further Fellows of the College shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by the Statutes of the College.
8. The College shall have power as a College within the University of Cambridge to make Statutes from time to time subject to such consents and to such approval by Us in Our Council as are prescribed by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923, and the administration of the College shall be in accordance with the provisions of the said Statutes.
9. The first Statutes of the College shall be those annexed to this Our Charter and the same shall remain in force unless and until they shall be altered in the manner hereinbefore prescribed.
10. The Governing Body of the College may from time to time revoke, amend or add to the provisions of this Our Charter by Special Statute in that behalf and such revocation, amendment or addition shall, when allowed by us, Our Heirs and Successors in Council become effectual so that this Our Charter shall thenceforward continue and operate as though it had been originally granted and made as so revoked, amended or added to; provided that any proposal for the allowance of such revocation, amendment or addition to the provisions of this Our Charter shall first require the consent of the University This article shall apply to the provisions of this Our Charter as revoked, amended or added to in the manner aforesaid.
11. The procedure to be followed by the College for the making of a Special Statute shall be the same as that prescribed in that respect by the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge Act 1923 for the making of Statutes by a College.
12. References herein to the Statutes of the College shall be deemed to be references to such Statutes as are for the time being in force.

And lastly We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors grant and declare that these Our Letters shall be in all things valid and effectual in law according to the true intent and meaning thereof and shall be taken, construed and adjudged in the most favourable and beneficial

sense for the best advantage of the College as well in Our Courts of Record as elsewhere by all Judges, Officers, Ministers and other subjects whatsoever of Us, Our Heirs and Successors any non-recital, mis-recital or other omission defect or thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent.

Witness Ourselves at ...the ...th day of the ... year of Our Reign.