

## Magdalene College, Cambridge

### Management of external events and speakers

#### Context

1. Colleges are required to have written procedures to demonstrate their compliance with their new legal duties as set out in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 and the *Prevent* duty guidance issued by government. In particular, they are required to have written procedures on how they manage the risk assessment and subsequent management of “external events”, which in this context relates to scheduled or advertised meetings or activities that include visiting speakers (i.e. speakers who are not members of the University or one of the Colleges) and/or significant numbers of people attending from outside of Collegiate Cambridge.
2. This applies, for example, to student society events hosting a visiting speaker held in College or elsewhere, and to external bookings made with the College (e.g. graduate seminars, alumni events and conferences).

#### Principles

3. The College is strongly committed to the principle of freedom of speech and expression and has published statements to that effect on the College website within the College Rules and Conference Terms and Conditions.
4. The College has written protocols for:
  - a) the management of external events at which controversial views may be expressed (whether or not they are held at the College); and
  - b) the management of visiting speakers at meetings held within the College.

#### Approval and risk management of events

5. All bookings within the College for rooms and meeting places have a written protocol detailing appropriate procedures specific to the type of booking. In all cases, bookings are reviewed by a designated person at an appropriate level who has the responsibility for ensuring that the rooms and meeting places are used appropriately, and may specify in writing particular terms and conditions relating to the use of that room or meeting place, which may include terms and conditions relating to any particular meeting or activity, if appropriate.

6. No external event can take place in a room or meeting place without prior written authorisation by the designated reviewer, or a higher authority if required, within the defined protocol. Such decisions are made in the light of information provided by an external event organiser (who must be a specific person, acting on their own behalf or on behalf of an organisation responsible for the external event) through mechanisms set out in detail in the Annex to this policy statement.
7. Conditions apply to all room bookings for external events, including:
  - The College reserves the right to seek additional information before confirming a booking.
  - The external event organiser (i.e. the named person making the booking) agrees as a condition of submitting the room booking request to notify the College if any of the details submitted change.
  - The College reserves the right to review its decision on allowing an external event to proceed if any of the information provided changes.
  - The deliberate provision of false or incomplete information by the external event organiser may be addressed under the disciplinary procedures of the College, if appropriate, or otherwise invalidate the booking.
8. An initial room booking should be made through the published process, and will not be considered complete unless it includes the following information, as a minimum:
  - name and contact details of the external event organiser;
  - title of the proposed external event;
  - names and contact details of formal presenters or speakers at the external event, if any;
  - details of any external organisation represented or publicised at the external event;
  - brief description of proposed talks and/or activities;
  - dates and times of the proposed external event;
  - expected number of those attending, including:
    - student members of the College;
    - other members of the College;
    - other members of the University;
    - people external to the College and the University.
9. The designated reviewer will use this information to assess the risks of holding the event, including risks specifically relating to the protection of freedom of speech and the Colleges' responsibility in preventing crime (including the promotion of illegal discrimination or terrorism).
10. Activities likely to be considered inappropriate to be conducted on College premises include:
  - internal or external speakers giving talks which directly or indirectly promote violence towards members of the College or the general public, or which may

advance the radicalisation of College members (as it is defined in the Colleges' statement on freedom of speech);

- internal or external speakers whose presence or activity, in the view of the College, carries a reasonable likelihood of risk to the health or safety of its members or of the general public;
- physical activities where there has not been due regard for the safety of participants and onlookers;
- activities where the College has been advised by the police that they represent a high risk at the specified time or location proposed.

**Annex: College contacts and designated reviewers for booking events and meetings**

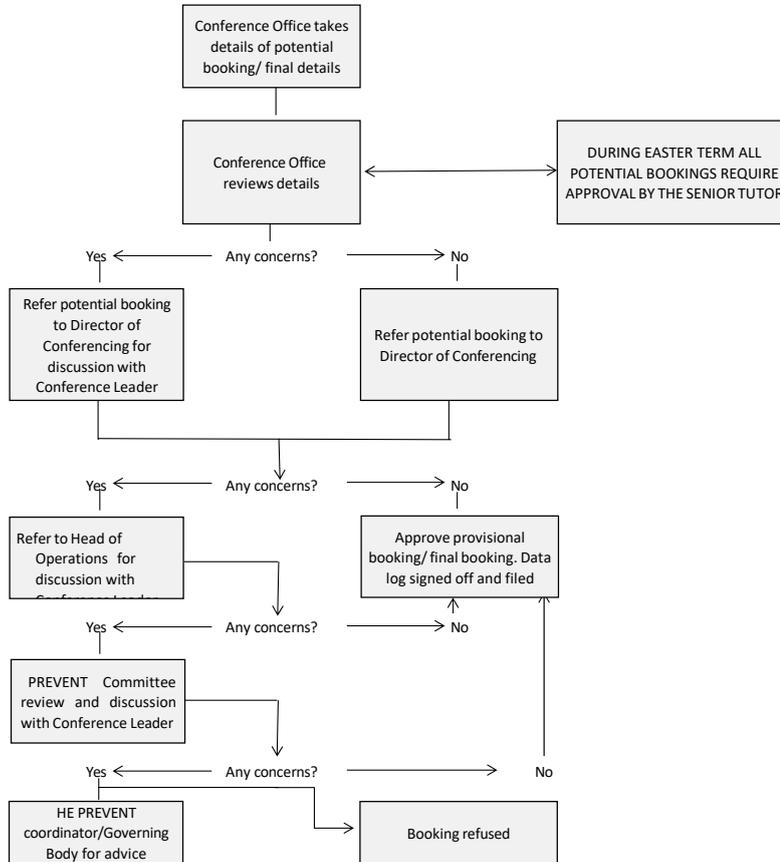
A. Rooms and meeting places for events are managed by the Magdalene College Conference Office: [conferences@magd.cam.ac.uk](mailto:conferences@magd.cam.ac.uk)  
The following people are designated reviewers and, on behalf of the College, to authorise or refuse booking:

<b>Event Type</b>	<b>Designated Reviewers in ascending order</b>	<b>Email (current contacts)</b>
External Event Booking	1. Initial review of information supplied: Conference Office 2. Conference & Events Manager 3. Head of Operations 4. PREVENT Team  EASTER TERM ARRANGEMENTS: All potential bookings require approval by the Senior Tutor	<a href="mailto:lmb49@cam.ac.uk">lmb49@cam.ac.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:rlc78@cam.ac.uk">rlc78@cam.ac.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>
Student Event Bookings	. Initial review of information supplied: Conference Office . Head of Operations(acting on behalf of the Dean) . The Dean . PREVENT Team  EASTER TERM ARRANGEMENTS: All potential bookings require approval by the Senior Tutor	<a href="mailto:rlc78@cam.ac.uk">rlc78@cam.ac.uk</a> <a href="mailto:alp22@cam.ac.uk">alp22@cam.ac.uk</a> <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>

Fellow Event Bookings	1. Initial review of information supplied: Conference Office 2. Conference & Events Manager 3. Head of Operations 4. PREVENT Team  EASTER TERM ARRANGEMENTS: All potential bookings require approval by the Senior Tutor	<a href="mailto:lmb49@cam.ac.uk">lmb49@cam.ac.uk</a> <a href="mailto:rlc78@cam.ac.uk">rlc78@cam.ac.uk</a> <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>  <a href="mailto:sm137@cam.ac.uk">sm137@cam.ac.uk</a>
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- B. Requests for events must be provided in writing by the event organiser and ideally at least two weeks in advance of the event. (In any event, the organiser will need to take into account any lead time he or she may wish to have to publicise the event: an event should not be publicised before approval has been granted.) The College reserves the right to refuse outright any requests for the use of a room or meeting place if such a request is made within one week of the proposed event.
- C. Bookings should be made through the Magdalene College Conference Office: [conferences@magd.cam.ac.uk](mailto:conferences@magd.cam.ac.uk)
- D. No event may be publicised as taking place until confirmation has been received from the College. If an event or room booking is refused, you may appeal the decision to the Prevent Team Leader. The appeal decision will be the final decision of the College.

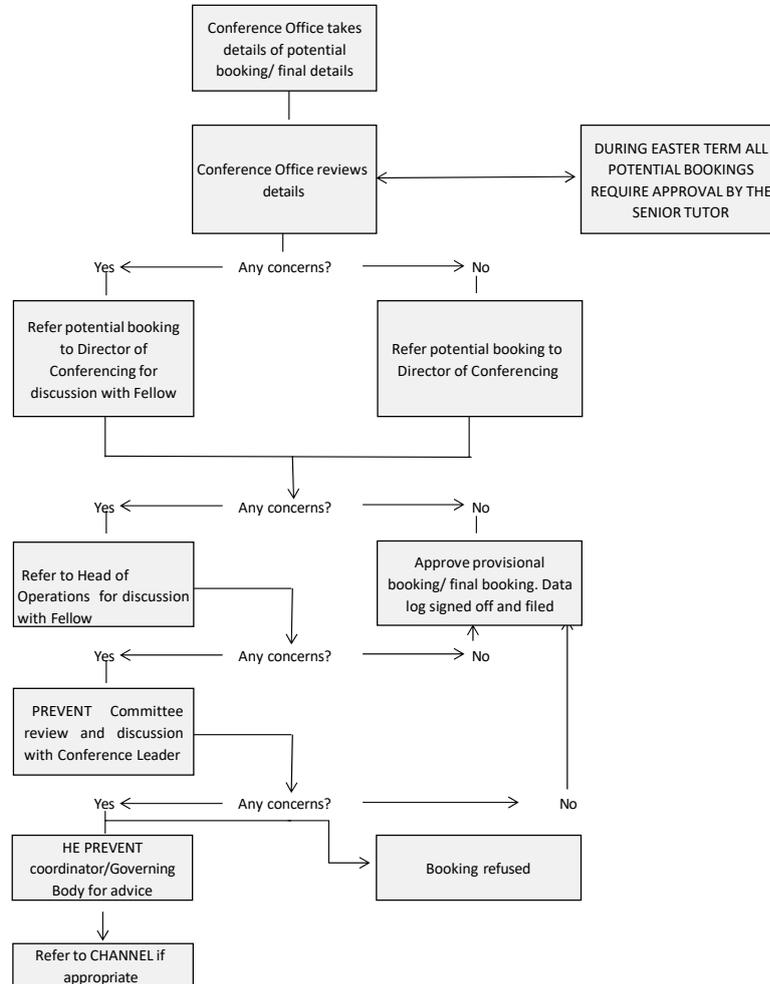
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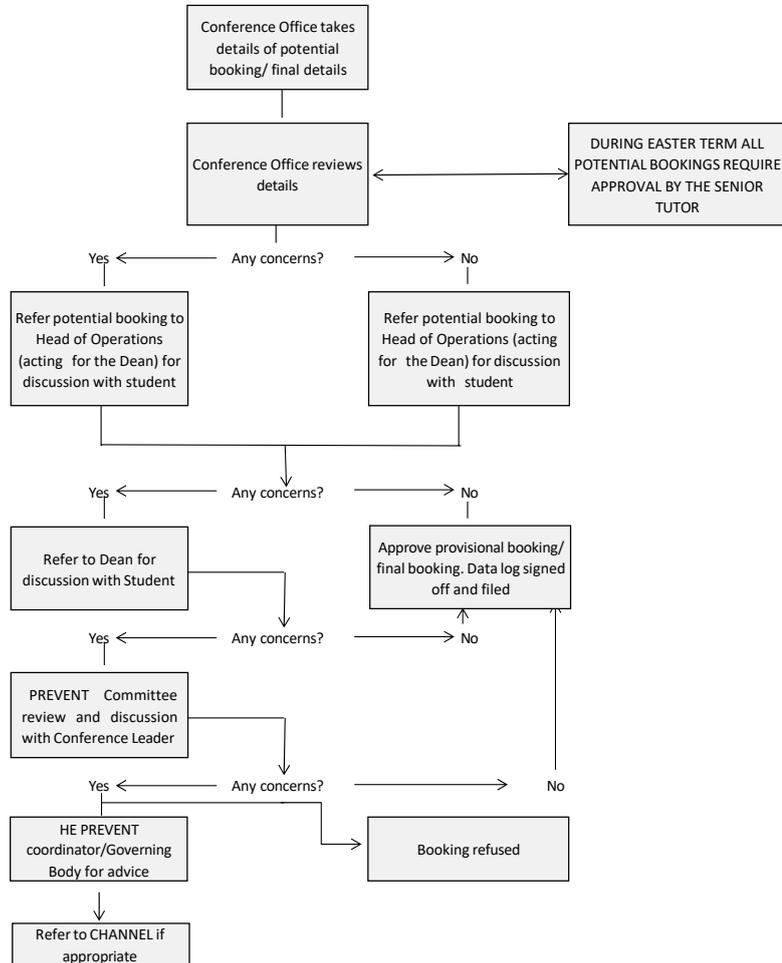
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