

GLASGOW KELVIN COLLEGE

Learning and Teaching Committee – 28 February 2024

Update on the Development of a Single Tertiary Quality System

Report by Vice Principal Curriculum and Quality Enhancement

1. Introduction

This paper provides an update on work being led by the Scottish Funding Council (SFC) to develop a quality system for the tertiary sector. It is proposed that this single system will provide quality assurance arrangements for both colleges and universities funded by the SFC from 2024-25 onwards.

2. Development of a Single Tertiary Quality Review Method

SFC have commissioned the Qualifications Assurance Agency (QAA) to develop an external enhancement-led peer review method for both colleges and universities. QAA are currently working with the college and university sectors, Education Scotland and Colleges Development Network, to co-design a new approach due to be implemented in 2024-25 should the SFC approve implementation.

Key QAA outputs and related timeframes are set out within the diagram below:



Glasgow Kelvin College staff have recently participated in QAA consultation workshops on potential review outcome judgements.

As highlighted by the above timeframes, the outcomes of QAA's development work should be completed shortly. If approved by the SFC for implementation, this could

mean significant changes to the quality arrangements for colleges from 2024-25 onwards.

Once any formal documentation is available, this will be shared with the Committee.

3. Impact on Students

National quality arrangements are intended to drive and support improvements to the student experience and outcomes.

4. Resource Implications

There are no resource implications arising directly from this report.

5. Equalities

There are no equality implications arising directly from this report.

6. Risk and Assurance

Significant changes to the quality arrangements for colleges could cause operational impacts and challenges.

7. Data Protection

There are no data protection implications arising directly from this report.

8. Environmental and Sustainability

No environmental and sustainability implications are identified.

9. Recommendations

Members are recommended to:

- i. note the contents of this update.

10. Further Information

Members can obtain additional information on the contents of this report from Robin Ashton, Vice Principal Curriculum and Quality Enhancement.

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