

## MARCH 2017

## COREMUNICATE VIDEO

One of the key projects that the University is working on as part of the Manchester 2020 programme is the growth of philanthropic income. On Thursday, 6 April, the University will welcome donors onto campus for the second Celebration of Philanthropy day. The purpose of this event is to thank donors for their continued support and to demonstrate how their generosity benefits our staff, students and facilities. In this month's video, one of our donor-funded scholarship students, Hamza Hassan, will be interviewing Director of Development and Alumni Relations Kate White about the impact of donations across campus and how staff and students can get involved.

You can watch the video at: [www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/pss/coremunicate](http://www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/pss/coremunicate)

## STAFF SURVEY 2017

From Monday, 6 March, everyone who has been employed at the University before 1 January 2017 will have the chance to tell us what they think and feel about working here.

Every two years, the University's Staff Survey takes the temperature of staff opinion and I want to encourage all of you in the Professional Support Services to use this opportunity to tell us about your working experience and what can be done to improve it.

As an incentive, we'll be offering you the chance to win one of 12 prizes to be drawn twice a week during the survey period.

For those of you who don't have access to the online Staff Survey, your views are just as important to us. This year, we'll be providing you with paper forms at special Staff Survey sessions. Please take the opportunity to participate in the Staff Survey 2017.

## 10,000 ACTIONS

In November 2016 the University's environmental sustainability engagement programme for staff - 10,000 Actions - was launched.

Since then, over 40% of our staff have engaged with the programme compared to the 3% who were involved with previous schemes such as Green Impact and Sustainability Enthusiasts. PSS has had the highest completion rates of action plans created with 30% (17% for the University overall).

Since its launch 23,615 actions have been pledged with 4,651 in progress or already completed, 351 members of staff who do not have access to a computer attended face-to-face sessions and 29 members of staff have completed the evidence required for their official Carbon Literacy certificate.

10,000 Actions is still open so if you have not yet made your action plan you can do so at [www.manchester.ac.uk/10000actions](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/10000actions). If you've already made a plan, don't forget to log back in to update it so we can see how many actions have been completed.

## INFORMATION GOVERNANCE OFFICE

The newly formed Information Governance Office (IGO), within the Directorate of Compliance & Risk, leads and supports Information Security and Information Governance activities across the University.

It includes the disciplines of Information Security, Data Protection, Records Management, Freedom of Information, Information Risk Management and Business Continuity.

The approach to Information Security/Governance is institution-wide, risk-oriented and in line with established good practice.

The IGO have recruited new staff – Tony Brown (Head of Information Governance) and Laurence King (Information Governance Officer) - to combine with the existing IG team. Two further appointments will be made later in the year (Head of Data Protection, and an additional Information Governance Officer).

Not unlike health and safety, information governance is everyone's responsibility, and the IGO need your help to find pragmatic ways to work together and find practical solutions to IG issues. The IGO look forward to working with you and developing strategies with and for all stakeholders across the University.

## MANCHESTER 10K

In 2016, The University of Manchester raised over £75,000 for charity through the Great Manchester 10K. Over 1,100 staff and students took part in the run and the University beat the record for the biggest non-charity team entry into the race. The money that was raised was split between the British Red Cross, Marie Curie and Royal Manchester Children's Hospital, alongside other charities of the individual runner's choice.

This year the Great Run Team has promised The University of Manchester our own starting time and purple wave. In order to secure this we must reach our target of engaging 3,000 staff and students in the run.

We will be running in the University purple and will be joined by our mascot 'BarnaBee' the bee. One of the charities that proceeds will go towards this year is the Equity and Merit Scholarship scheme within the University.

Find out more about how to join the purple wave on our website: [www.sport.manchester.ac.uk/fitness/manc10K/](http://www.sport.manchester.ac.uk/fitness/manc10K/)

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