This Special Statute seeks to amend the existing Charter of Newnham College of 1917, which looks forward to the future establishment of the College its present form. The proposed revisions to Charter Article 3 are specifically intended to bring the College’s Charitable Objectives up to date, in alignment with the responsibilities of trustees of registered charities.

Charter Article 3: Current text

3. The College is hereby incorporated and shall be conducted with the following objects:
   (a) To acquire and take over the property and liabilities of the Association hitherto known as Newnham College, and hereinafter referred to as the Old Association.
   (b) To establish or maintain at or near Cambridge a house or residence or houses or residences in which female students may reside and study.
   (c) To provide a liberal education for women by carrying on the work of the Old Association with such modifications and changes as may from time to time appear desirable either in its present situation or elsewhere in the town of Cambridge or County of Cambridge.
   (d) For the purposes above to receive and apply donations from persons desiring to promote the objects of the College.
   (e) To invest the moneys of the College not immediately required in any securities or investments which may from time to time be authorized for the purpose by the Council.
   (f) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to advancing education and learning among women in Cambridge and elsewhere.

Proposed amendments

► Replace paragraphs (a)-(c) with new text as follows:
   (a) To further public benefit by providing a liberal education and promoting learning and research through the provision of a college for women within the University of Cambridge.

► Bring old paragraph (f) up to follow new (a), and re-letter old paragraphs (d) and (e) as paragraphs (c) and (d) respectively:
   (b) To do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to advancing education and learning among women in Cambridge and elsewhere.
   (c) For the purposes above to receive and apply donations from persons desiring to promote the objects of the College.
   (d) To invest the moneys of the College not immediately required in any securities or investments which may from time to time be authorized for the purpose by the Council.