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Key Contextual Issues

- Elite to Mass Higher Education
- Global Economic Indicators
  - Borrowing, Endowments, Utilities
  - HE and Economic Development
- Demography
  - Implications for Public Funding
- Policy Issues
  - External Drivers on Higher Education Institutions
The Politics of Higher Education

• National Policy Issues
  - Widening Participation (social mobility/social justice)
  - Elitism
  - Credit and Student Mobility
  - Role of Information Advice and Guidance
Three Announcements

- The Browne Report
- The Comprehensive Spending Review
- The Government’s Response to Browne
The Browne Solution

- Fee Setting at Minimum of £6,500 to £12,000
- Part-time Implication
- Implications for PG (T) and PG (R)
- Distance Learning
- Cross-Subsidies
- Bursaries
The Comprehensive Spending Review

- 80% cut to the ‘T’ Funding
- Cuts in Capital Funding for Teaching
- Cuts in Research Capital
- 0% cut to Research (real terms 9% cut)
The Government’s Response to Browne

- Fees £6,000
- £9,000
- ‘Exceptional’ to be allowed to charge £9,000
- Office of Fair Access
- National Scholarship Programme
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<th>Funding 2010-11 (£m)</th>
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<td>Recurrent teaching</td>
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<td>Total recurrent</td>
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<td>Science Budget: capital</td>
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At Leicester

- 6.4% reduction in funding for 2011-12
- But cutting activities supporting teaching and the student experience not an option as....
- From 2012 students paying higher fees will have heightened expectations
- So we continue to invest in the student experience
At Leicester

- New £36m Library and £16m Students’ Union. Further plans for capital development
- At least 20 new academic appointments planned for 2011-12
- Funding gap closed through reductions in inefficiencies, improved trading performance and expansion of distance learning recruitment.
Leicester’s Response

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# League Tables - our current position

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“Elite, without being elitist”
# Top 20 UK Universities

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Without those who don’t meet the maintained school benchmark.

Lancaster

Leicester

Sheffield

Southampton

York
Without those who don’t meet the lower SEG benchmark
Leicester’s Response

- Leicester will charge a fee of £9,000 for all subjects.
- We will award over £8m in scholarships annually under the new arrangements - four key elements
- And invest in the student experience and graduate employability
1. Leicester National Scholarship Programme

- Household incomes under £25,000
- £2,000 contribution towards tuition fees per year
- £1,000 cash contribution towards living costs
2. Chancellor’s Scholarships

- Students who achieve at least AAA in their three best A-levels or equivalent
- £2,000 contribution towards tuition fees per year
- All subjects bar Medicine included
3. Departmental Scholarships

- Students who achieve grades specified by their department
- £1,250 contribution towards tuition fees per year
- All subjects bar Medicine included
4. CULN Transition Scholarships

- A £1,000 cash award to 150 students progressing from CULN colleges.
- The College selects the recipients.
- The award is paid by the University.
- Designed to ease the transition from college to university.
And...

- No hidden academic course costs
- Large increase in the Student Hardship Fund
Still to be determined

- Approval by OFFA
- Uncertainty over fees for years abroad
Prediction for 2012

- Research by Leicester and the IFS suggests 6-8% of students will be deterred. Concentrated in parts of sector.
- Demographic dip?
- Deferred entrants?
- Withdrawal of EMA?
Questions?