

# Hugh Hall to be Strathclyde's Chief Operating Officer

The University's Executive Team is almost at full complement with the recent appointment of a Chief Operating Officer. The Executive Team comprises the Principal, Vice-Principal, Deputy Principals and the Deans, and recruitment to fill the post of Dean of the new Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences is underway. Furthermore, all eight Professional Services directorates now have directors in post or appointed.

In early January the University announced the appointment of Hugh Hall as Chief Operating Officer. Hugh will join Chief Financial Officer, David Coyle in the Executive Team in April to provide leadership and direction to the eight corporate directorates that make up Professional Services. He comes to Strathclyde from Scottish Enterprise where he is currently Chief Financial Officer.



Hugh Hall

Two further Director-level appointments have also been made. Tom Collins OBE will become Director of Marketing & Development in April and Sandra Heidinger, currently Acting Director of Human Resources has been confirmed as Director. Tom will join Strathclyde in April from Queen's University Belfast, where he is Director of Marketing, Recruitment and Communications. In his new post, he will be responsible for maintaining and enhancing the University's position, reputation and brand and will ensure Strathclyde continues to attract high quality students. As Acting Director of Human Resources, Sandra has played a significant role in leading strategy and policy on all people issues. She will continue to be responsible for ensuring that the people elements of the University Strategic Plan are delivered.

These new appointments follow the news in December that Dr Stuart Brough has been appointed Director of Information Services. In his new post Dr Brough will be responsible for the design and implementation of the full range of information services to underpin the delivery of the University's Strategic Plan.

The remaining directors are: Janet Whitley, Corporate Services; Dr Veena O'Halloran, Student Experience & Enhancement Services, Dr David McBeth, Research & Knowledge Exchange Services; Graeme Roddick, Estates.

### Prestigious Fulbright Scholarship Awards Announced

The University has reached an agreement with The Fulbright Commission to provide scholarships to students from the US. Up to five awards will be offered each academic year

from 2011-2013, with two awards for the Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences and one award each to the Faculty of Engineering, the Faculty of Science, and the Business School. The scholarship

will be offered to a US graduate student to pursue a one-year Master's by Research degree programme, or the first year of a PhD degree programme in any subject at Strathclyde. It could also be offered as a three-year award for a PhD student.

The University will contribute up to £21,600 towards the Scholarship. This will be supported and funded by the Faculties, the receiving Departments and the University Research Scholarship Fund (Postgraduate Research Office).

Created in 1948, the US-UK Fulbright Commission offers the only bi-national transatlantic academic awards programme

between the US and the UK. They are part of a global programme conceived by Senator J William Fulbright in the aftermath of World War II, to promote leadership, learning and



War II, to promote leadership, learning and empathy between nations through educational exchange.

> Professor Allister Ferguson, Deputy Principal, said: "The University welcomes the opportunity to

participate in The Fulbright Program, the flagship international educational exchange program. We are delighted to offer sponsorship to Fulbright scholars as we know it will help us attract very high calibre candidates from across the US.

As Strathclyde aspires to be a leading international technological university, participation in such a prestigious scheme will allow us to forward our objectives by attracting excellent researchers."



## **Health Secretary Launches Universities' Science Partnership**

Health Secretary Nicola Sturgeon visited the University in December to speak at the official launch of a venture capitalising on the academic and commercial strengths of lasers, optics and semiconductors. Ms Sturgeon launched the partnership, known as SU2P, a venture between academic institutions in Scotland and California aimed at extracting economic impact from their joint research portfolio in photonics and related technologies.

Strathclyde is leading the collaboration, which also includes the Universities of St Andrews, Heriot-Watt and Glasgow, Stanford University and the California Institute of Technology. The three-year programme is designed to create new businesses in Scotland and to reinforce industry links by offering businesses in the UK and the US a platform for exploring new prospects for translating cutting-edge university research into commercial opportunity, and working with university scientists to identify and solve problems and challenges facing industry.

The partnership will open up opportunities for companies to bolster their competitive position through networking with senior managers of Stanford-affiliated global companies. Access will also be enabled to leading researchers and entrepreneurs based at Stanford and in Scotland. Outstanding

### Studies reveal rise in antibiotic resistance

Antibiotic resistance in the natural environment is rising despite tighter controls over our use of antibiotics in medicine and agriculture according to new research. Bacterial DNA extracted from soil samples collected between 1940 and 2008 has revealed a rise in background levels of antibiotic resistant genes. Dr Charles Knapp of the Department of Civil Engineering, and a member of the research team, said the findings suggest an emerging threat to future public and environmental health.

He said: "The study examined how antibiotic resistance has been increasing in soil microorganisms since the 1940s, when antibiotics became mass produced. This has major implications on our ability to treat infections, since many of these resistance traits can become transferred to pathogens that can impact human and agricultural health. This is best evidenced by 'superbugs' like MRSA."

The team found that 78 per cent of genes from four classes of antibiotics showed increasing levels since 1940 - despite continued efforts to reduce environmental levels. They said the next step would be to analyse soil samples from other parts of the world, although they expect to see similar results. The team contends that more complementary studies are desperately needed between environmental and public health researchers to determine whether this increasing 'pool' of resistance is actually contributing to harmful bacteria, such as MRSA.



Nicola Sturgeon, with the Principal, Professor Jim McDonald (left) and Deputy Principal, Professor Allister Ferguson young researchers will have the chance under the project to work in laboratories in California.

Ms Sturgeon said: "It is great to see the University of Strathclyde leading this collaboration between Scottish and American institutions. This programme has the potential to benefit Scotland immensely through the creation of new businesses and by strengthening our academic-industry links both here and with the US."

## Sustainable Glasgow Launch

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As Prism goes to print, Glasgow is launching its bid to become one of Europe's most sustainable cities, with Strathclyde part of the consortium behind the Initiative. The Sustainable Glasgow Report sets out how Glasgow aims to become one of Europe's most sustainable cities in the next 10 years. It is the culmination of a yearlong study into how Glasgow can contribute to tackling climate change by delivering major carbon emission reductions and will address areas such as renewable energy, district heating, biogas, biomass, energy management, energy efficiency, sustainable transport and smart grids. Sustainable Glasgow will also deliver jobs and training, help tackle fuel poverty and help regenerate communities.

The launch event will consist of keynote speeches from senior figures involved in the Initiative including the Principal, Professor Jim McDonald and Senior Research Fellow Richard Bellingham. Presentations will also give details of projects expected to play a part in delivering the vision of Sustainable Glasgow.

The Sustainable Glasgow Initiative is a consortium consisting of Glasgow City Council, Scottish and Southern Energy, Veolia (Source One), Scottish Enterprise and the University of Strathclyde.

## **Glasgow's Memories**

Professor Arthur McIvor, Director of Strathclyde's Scottish Oral History Centre (SOHC), has received an Arts & Humanities Research Council knowledge transfer fellowship grant worth £182,000 to develop the oral history collection and use of oral history within Glasgow Museums. As a result of this partnership between Glasgow Museums and Strathclyde, rarely-heard interviews about the lives of Glaswegians born from the 1900-1930s will bring the past to life.

The two-year project will first involve digitising and cataloguing the extensive collection of recordings. More than 700 oral history interviews cover a breadth of social, cultural, economic and political experience spanning the 20th century. Professor McIvor and research assistant Dr David Walker will then summarise the interviews and extract information with particular reference to work and workplace cultures, reconstructing the ways the experience of work has changed in the city over the years. They will look at ways the collection can be used in exhibitions and accessed by the public online. They will also work with Glasgow Museums' staff to develop an oral history resource for schools.

Professor McIvor will create a new undergraduate programme, Work and Community Placement in Oral History, for Strathclyde's third-year history students – giving them unprecedented access to museum archives and the opportunity to contribute to the collection through their own oral history interviews.



Professor Arthur McIvor, Director, Scottish Oral History Centre

# Strathclyders speaking at the Scottish Parliament



L-R: Professor Peter McGregor, Murdo Fraser MSP, Convenor of the Cross-Party Group, Ursula Kelly

Professor Peter McGregor (Economics/Fraser of Allander Institute) and Ursula Kelly (Information Services) were invited to address the December meeting of the Scottish Parliament Cross-Party Group on Scottish Universities. The meeting focused on the economic impact of Scottish higher education. Ursula gave an overview of the diverse income and revenue sources of Scottish universities and an update on the current research being undertaken within the Strathclyde-led ESRC/ Funding Council research programme into higher education's social and economic role, while Peter presented some of the latest work being undertaken at Strathclyde on modelling the economic impact of higher education, including showing how it is possible to analyse the impact on Scotland of public expenditure on higher education compared with other types of public expenditure.

# Marker to identify cancer risk being developed

An indicator which could give early signs of breast cancer, and which could make dramatic improvements to survival rates, is being developed by scientists at Strathclyde and Edinburgh Napier University. Researchers from the universities have identified a 'biomarker' found in all blood which could be used to screen people deemed to be at risk from the disease. The breakthrough could potentially lead to far earlier diagnosis and remove the need for an invasive tissue biopsy.

Gemma Gallacher (right), a PhD student at the Strathclyde Institute of Pharmacy & Biomedical Sciences, who led the initial stages of the research, said: "The diagnosis of breast cancer is still reliant on invasive techniques, such as



mammography and biopsy, which can themselves cause a great deal of discomfort and distress to patients. Mortality rates in breast cancer are definitely decreasing but there is currently no serum biomarker for detection of the disease. The 'gold standard' would be to have such a biomarker put forward to the breast cancer screening programme for high-risk individuals. If we could develop this, it could detect the onset of breast cancer before the appearance of physical symptoms, dramatically improving survival rates."

### Staff

**U**rsula Kelly of Information Services has been appointed to the Northern Ireland Higher Education Strategy Project Group by the Northern Ireland Department for Employment and Learning (DEL). This is part of the development of a Higher Education Strategy for Northern Ireland which will meet the needs of the Northern Ireland economy and wider society by promoting and sustaining an internationally competitive HE sector. The strategy will be developed for launch in 2011.

Professor Ernesto Estrada, Professor and Chair in Complexity Sciences, Institute of Complex Systems at Strathclyde (ICSS) within the Departments of Mathematics and Physics, presented his ideas on "The Topology of Pedestrian Crowds. Toward the Identification of Abnormal Behaviours", at the Technology Demonstrator Event in November last year. This Showcase event was run in parallel with the Technology Demonstrator Event by the Office for Security and Counter-Terrorism (OSCT). The Technology Demonstrator Event aims to bring together government, industry and academics to provide an opportunity to harness new ideas and perspectives to improve security across the national infrastructure.

Safety Services' Occupational Health Team were named runners-up in the prestigious Occupational Health Awards 2009 for Best Occupational Health team in the UK recently. The award, sponsored by AXA Aviva, Connaught, Kays Medical and Xpert HR was presented at the Landmark Hotel, London in December.

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Chair of Geography at Strathclyde, has been awarded the Royal Scottish Geographical Society (RSGS) 2009 Research Medal in recognition of his "outstanding contribution to geographical knowledge through research and publication". The RSGS medals and fellowships are among the world's most prestigious awards for outstanding contributions to Geography. In addition, Professor Pacione has been awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Society.



Lord James Lindsay (left), Honorary President of the RSGS, making the presentation to Professor Pacione

**D**r Craig Roberts, SIPBS, has co-edited a new book, Sex Hormones and Immunity to Infection. The book critically reviews the evolutionary origin and the functional mechanisms responsible for sexual dimorphism in response to infection. For more information visit http://springer.com/978-3-642-02154-1

### **Students**

Student volunteers from CACTUS (Community ACTion at the University of Strathclyde) recently provided help and support to the Toryglen After-school Service (TASS). The volunteers successfully organised a Halloween Party with the TASS staff, which was attended by over 60 primary school children. CACTUS is a voluntary activity within the University's Students' Association. Other CACTUS projects include the local soup kitchen; the Conservation project team who have worked with the Loch Lomond & Trossachs National Park Authority; and the Elderly Project who are working with the Balornock Home for the Elderly. For further information contact cactus@theunion.strath.ac.uk or 0141 567 5047.

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#### Undergraduate Chemistry student, Elanor Brammer (right), has been awarded a new national bursary from AstraZeneca, one of the world's leading pharmaceutical companies. Elanor is in her third year of an MSci degree in Forensic & Analytical Chemistry. Elanor will receive £2,000 a year for the next three years of her study, plus a one-year paid, industrial placement.



**Kirsten Braden**, BEd graduate, has been awarded the prestigious George D Gray award given by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS) for her undergraduate dissertation entitled Background Music in the Classroom. The competition is for the best undergraduate research project in Scotland and is open to all students attending Initial Teacher Education Institutions in Scotland. Kirsten graduated in June 2009 and is now in a teaching post.

**C** laire Forsyth has been chosen to receive a scholarship from Pöyry, the global engineering consultancy. Claire, who is in her third-year of an MEng in Chemical Engineering, will receive a bursary of £2,000 each year until graduation. She said: "Receiving support from a globally recognised company is a real boost. The scholarship scheme is not only an investment in the engineering of the future but reflects the high standing of Strathclyde's Department of Chemical Engineering."

Strathclyde team of Anup Nair and Ewald Maas emerged as joint winners with a team from Oxford at the annual Tata Crucible UK Campus Quiz – a *University Challenge* style approach to graduate recruitment selection process. They competed against 87 teams of two students each from over 20 UK universities The winners receive a top prize of £4,000 and an internship with a Tata company. The four winners will also go to India for the global finals to compete with winners from Singapore and India.

### Scottish Innovative Technology Competition Success



Xuexing Zeng at the prize-giving ceremony

Professor Tariq Durrani and Xuexing Zeng of the Centre for Excellence in Signal and Image Processing (CeSIP), Department of Electronic & Electrical Engineering, gained third place in this year's Thales Scottish Technology Prize for image and data processing technology and applications, for their entry entitled "Copula based Image Processing". Xuexing collected the award and a £1,000 personal prize at the prize-giving ceremony at the Thales Optronics offices in Glasgow in December. The competition was launched in September 2009 and was open to all students and staff attending Scottish Universities.

## **Award Double**



Lorna Kirkland (left) and Jean Cloherty, Centre for Skills Enhancement with Fuad Warsame

Fuad Warsame, last year's winner of the Trades House of Glasgow Modern Apprentice of the Year Award, has won the Apprentice of the Year award at the Young Scottish Minority Ethnic Awards. Fuad arrived in the UK from Somalia aged 17 unable to speak English. He is now in the second year of his Modern Apprenticeship in the Department of Mechanical Engineering.

### Obituary – Professor I F Clarke

We regret to announce the death of Professor I F (Knobbie) Clarke, Emeritus Professor of English Studies, at his home in the Cotswolds on 5 November 2009 at the age of 93.

After distinguished war service where his work led to the award of the Tiroler Adler-Orden in 1983, Professor Clarke came to the University of Strathclyde in October 1958 in the new post of Senior Lecturer in General Studies in the Department of Industrial Administration in what was then the Royal College of Science & Technology. There he was involved in forming a unit which developed, along with the staff from the merged Scottish College of Commerce in Pitt Street, into the School of Arts & Social Studies.

Professor Clarke's research interests lay in the huge proliferation of fictional predictions of the war between Great Britain and Germany, which followed the German victory over France in 1870, and continued until the outbreak of the actual war in 1914, research which was gathered up in *Voices Prophesying War* (1966, second revised edition 1992). He pursued this work after his retirement from Strathclyde in 1981, culminating in an eight-volume edition of 22 texts, *British Future Fiction*, *1700-1914*, in 2001.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, and by his children, Julian, Christopher and Catherine.

### **DECEMBER STAFF LOTTERY RESULTS**

Simon Hunter, Psychology	£679
Roslyn Nimmo, Pure & Applied Chemistry	£90
Sheila Forbes, EEE	£34
Margaret Wright, Communications Office	£34
Bronagh Dallat, Corporate Services	£34
Ashley Boulton, Human Resources	£34

Proceeds from the staff lottery go to the Spinal Injuries Network at the Southern General Hospital, a community-based voluntary project initiated by the Senior Studies Institute (Centre for Lifelong Learning)

> If you wish to take part in the staff lottery, email stafflottery@strath.ac.uk

### **Library News**

# Improvements to University scanning service

Teaching staff often need to scan printed items to create learning materials for their students. If these print originals are copyright-protected works, such as commercially published textbooks, permission is needed from the copyright owner before scanning can take place, which can be time-consuming. Fortunately, Strathclyde offers a central scanning service which can digitise such print items for lecturers, relieving them of both the process of contacting commercial publishers for permissions and also the chore of page-by-page scanning.

This service is run jointly by the Library and Learning Services and many Strathclyde academic staff members have used it successfully since its inception – for example, in generating digital copies of book chapters and other textbook sections for upload into classes in one of our Virtual Learning Environments. The legal basis for this scanning service is the CLA (Copyright Licensing Agency) Higher Education license, and only material covered by this license is available for digital reproduction in this way. However, not all material that an academic might wish to scan for their teaching has been covered by the license in the past. This has sometimes made comprehensive scanning of all



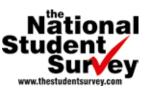
items on a reading list quite cumbersome – in particular, items from foreign rather than UK publishers have often been excluded from scanning under the license.

Recent improvements to the license have greatly increased the scope of materials available for scanning. In particular, the bulk of US publishers are now part of the license arrangements. Furthermore, many materials owned by European publishers are available for digital copying for classes for the first time (www.cla.co.uk/excluded\_works/international). Another recent development is the ability to scan images from copyrightprotected textbooks.

For more information contact the Library using the contacts at www.lib.strath.ac.uk/scanningservice.htm If you wish to discuss digitisation of non-teaching items contact Learning Services (www.strath.ac.uk/learningservices/scansplus).

### NSS 2010 kicks off

Academic departments are encouraged to promote participation by their final-year students in the National Student Survey.



This year's survey opened on 18 January, with Ipsos Mori making initial email contact with all eligible students. It's important that as many students as possible provide their feedback for the survey to generate reliable information. We need to achieve a response rate of 50% at institution level and in our subjects of study (combined with 23 respondents per cohort) in order for our data to be made publicly available on Unistats.com. Last year we achieved an overall response rate of 62% and our aim is to improve on that this year.

Some promotional materials, including pens, post-its and posters have been distributed around the University. Electronic banners and screensavers are available and departments wishing to make use of these should contact the Communications Office (nss@strath.ac.uk or ext 2196). More information on the survey is available at: www.strath.ac.uk/nss

### **Thank You**

John Martin, former Director of Student Support Services, has asked *Prism* to convey his gratitude to all those who attended his going-away event and who contributed to his farewell gift.

Some of this will be put towards "one of those modern tellies that doesn't have the big humpy bit at the back", and some towards a new sporran, his faithful original having finally disintegrated at a recent University function. He is sending thank-you letters to those who brought individual gifts on the day, but apologises if he gets this wrong as "they got a bit mixed up in the bag on the way home".

He told your *Prism* correspondent that he was "genuinely stunned and overwhelmed" by the generosity of colleagues, and will always look back on his (24) Strathclyde years with great affection. He hopes to see former Strathclyde colleagues at any of the following: the Strathclyde Sports Centre, various Merchant City watering holes, the Ingram Street Tinderbox, Firhill Stadium, or working in his new role at the School of Art. As his friend Dugald Mackie would have said, "Au revoir the noo..."

#### **COLLINS GALLERY EXHIBITIONS**

Sat 23 January - Sat 20 February: MYSCAPE: A journey into the autistic architectural landscape For more information visit www.strath.ac.uk/collinsgallery

## LUNCHTIME MUSIC @ THE RAMSHORN – www.strath.ac.uk/culture/ramshorn

All lunchtime music events 1.15-2.00pm, Ramshorn Theatre. Bring your own lunch, tea/coffee available. Entry  $\pounds$ 4 at the door.

Tues 2 February: ROMANTIC MUSIC FOR OBOE Tues 9 February: A CELTIC CONNECTION – Strathclyde music students perform contemporary Celtic music. Tues 16 February: MANY HAPPY RETURNS – Katharine Durran (piano) and Veronica Henderson (cello) Tues 23 February: PIANO & STRINGS

#### STRATHCLYDE THEATRE GROUP – RAMSHORN

### THEATRE – www.strath.ac.uk/culture/ramshorn

Strathclyde Theatre Group events can be reserved through the Ramshorn 0141 552 3489.

**Thurs 28 January - Sat 6 February:** "Twelfth Night" by William Shakespeare. 7.30pm (not Sunday 31 January). Tickets: Mon - Tues: £6/4, Wed - Sat £9/6.

**Thurs 11 February:** Author Talks Series 2010. Multi-award winning novelist, Louise Welsh will be reading from her new work. 5.15pm.

**Sun 14 February:** Something Special for Valentine's Day. Enjoy a menu of cocktails, love poems, love songs and speeches. 6 - 9pm. Free entry.

**Wed 17 - Sat 20 February:** Two comedic plays: "The Ladybirds" and "Rites". 7.30pm. Tickets: £9/6.

**Tues 23 - Fri 26 February:** New Writing Festival. 7.30pm. Tickets: £7/5 or £19/17 for a Festival Pass to all four shows.

#### **UNIVERSITY MUSIC**

#### www.strath.ac.uk/music

**Friday 5 February:** Strathclyde University Big Band. 9pm, Café Source, St Andrew's in the Square, Saltmarket, Glasgow. Free entry.

Wed 24 February: Rush Hour Jazz. 5.30pm-6.15pm, Recital Rooms, City Halls. Tickets £4 at the door. Advance bookings at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 0141 353 8000. Fri 26 February: Strathclyde University Big Band. 9pm, Café Source, St Andrew's in the Square, Saltmarket, Glasgow. Free entry.

#### DEPARTMENT of GEOGRAPHY & SOCIOLOGY SEMINARS

**Wed 10 February:** Transnational Migration and LGBT Activism in Poland. Dr Jon Binnie, Department of Environmental and Geographical Sciences, Manchester Metropolitan University.

**Wed 24 February:** Immigration and social division in 'postconflict' Northern Ireland. Dr Chris Gilligan, School of Social Sciences, University of West of Scotland.

Both seminars 3pm, Room 5.10, Graham Hills Building.

#### **MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY SEMINARS**

**Tues 2 February**: Intelligence and the Transition to the Algerian Police State: Reassessing French Colonial Security after the 1945 Uprising. Professor Martin Thomas, University of Exeter.

**Mon 22 February:** Modern European History Seminar Series: La Cruzada de Franco: Holy War in 1930s Spain. Professor Mary Vincent, University of Sheffield. Both seminars 5.15pm, Collins Building Room 1. All welcome, refreshments provided.

#### **DLCS ANNUAL LECTURE**

**Thurs 11 February**: EXERCISING PROFESSIONAL JUDGMENT IN 21st-CENTURY ENGINEERING. Professor Jean Venables, Visiting Professor, University of Strathclyde. 4.00 - 6.00pm, Rm K325 John Anderson Building, followed by a reception in the Lord Todd Building. Please register by emailing dlcs-annuallecture@strath.ac.uk.

#### **OTHER EVENTS**

**Wed 17 February:** University Mass for Ash Wednesday. 7.00pm, St Columba's Church, Hopehill Road, Glasgow. Admission free: no tickets required.

**Fri 26 - Sun 28 February:** Engineers Without Borders UK, Scottish International Development Conference. Information and booking at www.ewb-strathclyde.org

**Wed 3 - Thurs 4 March**: Ross Priory Event. Bob Cooper will direct a two-day course on three plays by Arthur Miller (The Crucible, View from a Bridge, Death of a Salesman). Guest lecture appearance by novelist, William McIlvaney. Residential cost £219. Non-residential, which will include lunch and coffee on both days, £139. Contact Bob on 01698 801459.

### **Memorial Service**

The University will be honouring the memory of Dr Stephen Newall, former Chairman of Court, at a service in the Barony Hall at 4.00pm on Friday 5 February 2010. Current and former members of staff are invited to attend.

The Service will be conducted by the University Chaplain, Rev Marjory Macaskill, and there will be words and music chosen in consultation with Stephen's family. At around 5.00pm, there will be a reception in the Winter Gardens.

If you wish to attend, please contact Margaret Hastie, m.hastie@strath.ac.uk or 0141 548 2001.

# Small Ads: www.strath.ac.uk/staff/comms/marketplace

# Bricks & Mortar for sale

**Two-bedroom flat** in converted church in Dennistoun, Glasgow. Large lounge/dining area, kitchen, two bedrooms and family bathroom. GCH, double glazing and private offstreet allocated parking. Offers in the region of £105,000. Contact p.millar@strath.ac.uk

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House for rent in Vendée area, Western France. More details at www.lege.org.uk. Contact Catriona at 07747 627 751.

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### WeightWise 2010

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