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**DEPARTMENT OF FINE PRINT PRELIMINARY RESPONSE TO THE PRG REPORT**

The Department of Fine Print welcomes the Report of the Peer Review Group and recommendations therein, which are comprehensive and for the most part very positive.

Many of the issues identified are, or have already been addressed by the Department as a direct response to a comprehensive “student audit” with Student Evaluation of the course a key component of the Quality Assurance process.

Where issues remain they will be discussed by the full-time staff team as part of the Quality Improvement Plan. Where issues raised are not within the remit of the Department to address (e.g. Fine Art Faculty wide issues), these will be discussed by the Faculty as a whole within Faculty forums.

The Fine Print staff team has worked diligently to meet QA obligations and view quality assurance as extremely useful and worthwhile.

The Department wishes to acknowledge the invaluable assistance provided by the QA Officer, Nicky Saunders and the Chair (facilitator) of the QA Fine Print discussion group, Joan Fowler.

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