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Toby Young,

Thank you for your letter of 5 December addressed to The Provost and Fellows. I am replying on their behalf.

As you are aware, the decision to dismiss Mr Knowland has now been upheld on appeal. You indicate that in these circumstances you intend to set out your concerns in detail to the Charity Commission and demand that it open a statutory inquiry. The College informed the Commission of this matter when it first arose, in accordance with its guidance on the reporting of serious incidents, and has provided regular updates.

The trustees are confident that the College has fulfilled its charitable obligations and the College will of course respond to any questions the Charity Commission raises with the College. The trustees are also satisfied that the disciplinary process has been conducted fairly throughout.

*Yours sincerely
William Holdgate*