

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 26 July 2022

Please see below a brief summary of the main topics of discussion at the recent meeting of UCRI:

Main topics of interest:

At this meeting we:

- Discussed the review of the research support and agreed that the next steps are to formulate a timeline and a project plan.
- Considered a broad evaluation of the REF outcomes and agreed a strategic direction of travel. Next steps are to formulate a timeline and a communications plan.
- Agreed to an RETF financial commitment of £31.6k, matched from EPSRC, to support a Daphne Jackson Fellowship.
- Discussed options for the current ESRC DTP bid.

In other news we noted that:

- QR Research Culture Funding was due to continue.
- QR funding overall was going up 10%.
- The Global Development RD has secured the Development Studies Association (DSA) conference for 2023, to be held at Reading.
- An Open Event with the Natural History Museum is being arranged on 2nd November.
- We have received additional UKRI overseas development funding.

Finally:

- We thanked Phil Newton for his hard work and valuable contribution to UCRI.