

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 01 March 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:

- Approved an impact strategy, which sets out how we will embed impact into our research culture and support researchers to ensure that their work has the widest possible reach.
- Considered and accepted the proposal for the Research Excellence Awards 2022. The awards will be celebrated at a face to face summer event, and will include the Impact and Engagement Awards and the ECR Output Prizes.
- Considered and agreed the format for the annual IDRC monitoring meetings.
- Finalised the programme for the RDL/IDRC directors termly meeting with the PVCs on 15 March 2022.
- Shared the Research England consultation on the UK's future research assessment system.

In other news:

- We have drafted a response to the UKRI EDI strategy.
- UKRI is appointing members to the new committee on research integrity.
- Work on the Ag-Food scoping exercise is beginning and plans for the first advisory group meeting are underway.
- The Vitae consultation on The HR Excellence in Research Award process is moving to a 3 year cycle with every application going to external peer review.
- A Digital Humanities launch showcase event is being planned for late April.