

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 06 September 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:

- Reviewed the NIRD Trust expenditure 22/23 and considered recommendations for the future use of NIRD
 Trust funds. Following discussion we agreed that a proposal for a fellowship initiative which would allow
 seeding of new activity would be brought to UCRI by the Research Dean for AFH. We agreed that the
 governance and allocation process for NIRD funding would be reviewed ahead of next year.
- Reviewed the outcomes of the review of the ROSS system and made recommendations for peer review of outputs which will shortly be disseminated by Research Deans.
- Discussed a paper on improving research through the better awareness and use of statistics, approving the appointment of a Director of Statistics Community of Practice using UKRI research culture funding.
- Discussed Research England ring fenced research and innovation funding and considered our approach to the allocation.
- Reviewed the content of the University Finance Statement.