

## NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

**Eighteenth** meeting of **NERC Council** in UK Research and Innovation to be held at the  
**Natural History Museum, London**  
on **Thursday, 22 September 2022**

### AGENDA

#### **Introductory Items**

1. 09:00 Welcome
  - i. Unconfirmed minutes of the 17th meeting of NERC Council of UKRI
  - ii. Decisions and actions, and matters arising
2. 09:15 Update by Chief Scientific Adviser, Defra
3. 09:30 Executive Chair's update

#### **Items for discussion**

4. 10:15 Reforming our Business: Simpler, Better Funding Programme

#### **11:00 Break**

5. 11:15 UKRI Strategic Themes
6. 12:00 NERC Doctoral Training Investment: next steps

#### **12:45 Lunch**

7. 13:30 Working with business
8. 14:00 NERC Council outcome of the annual self-assessment 2022

#### **Standing items**

9. 14:15 NERC Council Finance Report September 2022
10. 14:30 Review of NERC top risks at September Council 2022
11. 14:45 Agenda and unconfirmed minutes of Science Committee
12. 14:55 Rolling programme of business
13. 15:00 AOB
14. 15:05 Meeting close