

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Fourteenth meeting of **NERC Council** in UK Research and Innovation to be held at the **British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge** on **Thursday, 23 September 2021**

AGENDA

Introductory Items				Protective Marking
1.	09:00	Welcome		
		i. Unconfirmed minutes of the 13th meeting of NERC Council of UKRI	NERC 21/24	O/S
		ii. Decisions and actions, and matters arising	NERC 21/25	O/S
2.	09:10	Executive Chair's update	Oral	
3.	09:40	Update by Chief Scientific Adviser, Defra	Oral	
Items for discussion				
4.	09:50	UKRI update	Oral	
5.	10:20	NERC Spending Review approach	Oral	
6.	11:05	Trusted Research	NERC 21/26	O/S
11:25 Break				
7.	11:35	Simpler and Better Funding: reshaping our Discovery Science portfolio for excellence	NERC 21/27	O/S
8.	12:00	NERC Digital Strategy	NERC 21/28	O/S
9.	12:25	Leadership of UKRI Environmental Sustainability Strategy and NERC pathway to Net Zero +	Oral	
12:45 Lunch				
10.	13:30	Dame Ottoline Leyser	Oral	
11.	14:00	Reviewing the balance of the Talent and Skills portfolio to best support UK environmental science	NERC 21/29	O/S
14:30 Break				
12.	14:40	NERC Council outcome of annual self-assessment	NERC 21/30	O/S
Standing items				
13.	14:55	NERC Financial Outturn 2021/22 and Draft Budget 2022/23	NERC 21/31	O/S
14.	15:10	Review of NERC top risks at September 2021	NERC 21/32	O/S
15.	15:25	Minutes of the NERC Assurance Board	NERC 21/33	O/S
16.	15:40	Unconfirmed minutes of Science Committee	NERC 21/34	O/S
17.	15:50	Rolling programme of business	NERC 21/35	O/S
18.	15:55	AOB	Oral	
19.	16:00	Meeting close		