

## NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Fifteenth meeting of **NERC Council** in UK Research and Innovation to be held at the  
**National Centre for Earth Observation, Space Park, Leicester**  
on **Thursday, 9 December 2021**

### AGENDA

#### **Introductory Items**

1. 09:00 Welcome
  - i. Unconfirmed minutes of the 14th meeting of NERC Council of UKRI
  - ii. Decisions and actions, and matters arising

2. 09:15 UKRI update

3. 09:30 Update by Chief Scientific Adviser, Defra

4. 09:45 Executive Chair's update

#### **Items for discussion**

5. 10:15 Spending Review

#### **10:45 Break**

6. 11:00 Strategic Research Investment to achieve NERC Delivery Plan Ambitions

7. 11:45 Consideration of the full proposals for Round 2 of NERC National Capability Multi-Centre Science

#### **12:15 Lunch**

8. 13:00 NERC Delivery Plan Refresh

9. 13:30 Proposal to establish a Future Leaders Advisory Council

#### **Standing items**

10. 14:00 NERC Financial Outturn 2021/22 and Draft Budget 2022/23

11. 14:15 Review of NERC top risks at December 2021

12. 14:30 Agenda and unconfirmed minutes of Science Committee

13. 14:45 Rolling programme of business

14. 14:50 AOB

15. 15:00 Meeting close