

## MANAGEMENT OF THE DIET AND HEALTH RESEARCH INDUSTRY CLUB (DRINC)

## Membership

The club is managed by BBSRC and research projects are awarded grants using peer review processes as fully public funded research. DRINC projects receive funding from BBSRC, EPSRC, MRC and a consortium of companies.

The Knowledge Transfer Network (KTN) has been appointed as external coordinators to work with the academic community to develop project proposals, monitor progress of funded projects and facilitate networking between the funded research groups and industry.

## Steering group

The Steering group includes both industrial and academic experts ensuring high quality, relevant research is funded. They:

- establish the nature of research to be funded in each call
- assess applications before making recommendations to Research Councils
- are involved with the annual and final report reviews for funded projects which provide valuable feedback to researchers in project development and industrial application
- play a key role in ensuring the club builds a community, encouraging interaction between industry and research teams at UK universities and institutes

The Steering group are:

Professor Judith Buttriss – British Nutrition Foundation (Chair)

Dr Sue Gatenby - PepsiCo UK and Ireland

Ms Claire Hughes - M&S

Dr David Mela – Unilever

Dr Katie Newens – SugarNutrition UK

Dr Belinda Quick - Mondelez International

Dr Julian Stowell - DuPont

Professor Steven Walker - Campden BRI

Professor Mark Conner – University of Leeds

Professor Malcolm Jackson – University of Liverpool

Professor Julian Mercer – Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health

Dr Fotis Spyropoulos – University of Birmingham

Dr Carina Venter – University of Portsmouth

Dr Mark Williams - University of East Anglia

Professor Parveen Yaqoob – University of Reading