NERC Management Board (NMB) Meeting

Summary of discussions

23 March 2023

Held at Caxton House, London

Members present: Duncan Wingham (Chair), Nigel Bird, Iain Williams, Susan Waldron,

Caroline Bault, Christine Foster, Kim Shillinglaw, Kate Hamer

Board Observer: Liz Rowse

Other attendees: Robyn Thomas (item 2), Thomas Haynes (item 4), Fiona Goff (item 5)

Secretary: Katrina Lewis

Executive Chair Update

Sir Duncan Wingham opened the meeting and welcomed members, while providing an update on DSIT, government changes, NERC Executive Chair transition, OpEx, Horizon Europe and new UKRI grants platform.

NERC Management Dashboard (23/10)

The Board reviewed and requested improvements to the level of detail within certain areas of the report.

Sustainable oceanographic research (23/11)

The Board were supportive of the recommended governance changes.

Evaluation Programme: Annual rolling programme (23/12)

The Board recommended a good practice guide to support this work.

Impact and outcomes programme (23/13)

The Board provided feedback on improvements for the report.

Standing items

NMB approved the three items detailed as approval by exception and noted the standing items including the NERC Board Observers Issue Log and matters arising from UKRI meetings and the rolling programme of business. There was no other business.

Date of next meeting

The next NERC Management Board meeting would be held on 11 May 2023.