

NERC Management Board (NMB) Meeting

Summary of discussions

28 September 2023

Held at Caxton House

Members present: Alison Robinson (Chair), Nigel Bird, Susan Waldron, Iain Williams, Christine Foster, Kim Shillinglaw, Caroline Bault

Board Observer: Nil

Other attendees: Georgina Colley (item 6), Lisa Bettington (item 7), Mary Goodchild (item 8)

Secretary: Katrina Lewis

Executive Chair Update

Alison Robinson opened the meeting and welcomed members, while providing an update on Executive Chair appointment, political intelligence, headcount targets, STEM pay remit, headroom patterns, biofuel trials and NERC impact awards.

Ways of Working (23/46)

NMB agreed with the approach set out to reinvigorate the programme across NERC HO.

BAS & BGS Business Planning (23/47)

It was agreed to invite both BAS and BGS to a future NMB.

RAAC in NERC Estates

NMB noted that the limited presence of RAAC in the NERC estate, agreeing it was under active management and in good condition.

Floods and droughts research infrastructure (23/48)

NMB agreed all three proposals set out in the paper.

BAS and BGS IT Unification (23/49)

NMB agreed the funding allocation.

NC NOC Ships Large Research Infrastructure (LRI) (23/50)

NMB agreed the proposal but asked the team to develop a wider longer term proposal for the next commissioning stage.

NERC Management Dashboard (23/51)

Deep dive of specific areas requested for future meetings.

Standing items

NMB approved the approval by exception item and noted the standing items including the NERC Board Observers Issue Log and matters arising from UKRI meetings and the rolling programme of business.

Date of next meeting

The next NERC Management Board meeting would be held on 30 November 2023.