

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 14 October 2024

Please see below a brief summary of the main topics of discussion at the recent meeting of UCRI: **Main topics of interest:**

At this meeting we:

- Reviewed the proposed impact policy plan and discussed efficient use of policy support funding for generic in-house activity and bespoke activity.
- Finalised the arrangements for the facilitation of the R&I Strategy focus groups.
- Agreed to continue our annual subscription to the Foundation for Science and Technology ensuring that we make best use of the networking opportunities.

In other news we:

- Approved the guidance for the ECR Research Output prize which will launch in November.
- Have created an RDF Open Call post award check list which we will circulate to recent awardees for feedback. The template will be adapted for all internal funding awards.
- Heard about a recent visit to MERL by the CEO of Arts Council England and discussed opportunities to follow up on connections with Arts and Humanities.