

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 21 May 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:

- Discussed the value of RDF funded activity and highlighted the importance of positive messaging about the significance of research.
- Decided to award 3 x Route A (Innovation) University Research Fellowships and 2 x Route B (Monograph completion) University Research Fellowships @ £10k each.
- Considered the final report of the Agrifood Scoping Project and discussed next steps. The report will be presented to UBRI, Senate and Council.
- Agreed to produce aligned theme level research priority documents each comprising a mission statement, objectives and an action plan.
- Decided to update the PRP process, to be renamed Annual Research Plan, to create a positive and engaged process with links to PDRs.
- Agreed that the RDOPs this year will align to activity around high performing units.

In other news we:

- Approved RDF funding to support CMPE Cluster activity for 24/25.