

Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee Forward agenda

Purpose

1. At the meeting of 14 October 2020, RKEC agreed to revise the forward agenda to take account of the emergency years 2020-22 and consequential policy adjustments due to the impact of the pandemic. This paper notifies the Committee of proposed agenda items for the future business of the Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee. These items take account of views expressed by Committee members.
2. To enable alignment with the SFC Council, the attached forward agenda plan follows the same format as that used for the SFC Council, for easy mapping.

Specific future agenda item proposals

3. The attached annex also sets out the specific proposed agenda items for forthcoming Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee meetings. Members are invited to send comments on the long-term agenda to either the Committee Clerk.

Recommendations

4. The Committee is invited to **note** the proposed agenda items and **suggest** any further additions or amendments to this list.

Financial implications

5. There are no direct financial implications associated with this paper.

Publication

6. This paper will be published on the Council website following the meeting.

Further information

7. Contact: Jenny Jamieson, Clerk to the Committee (direct line: 0131 313 6621 email: jjamieson@sfc.ac.uk).

Dates for 2021: Research and Knowledge Exchange Committee

Key items for discussion	20 th January 2021	20 th April 2021	8 th June 2021	18 th August 2021	28 th October 2021
SFC Review – phase two and three	•	• SFC review Phase 2 end (February)	• SFC review Phase 3 end	• Detailed options for research and innovation policy and funding	• Detailed options for research and innovation policy and funding
UK R & D Roadmap	•	•	•	•	•
UK KE Concordat	•	• Guidance on SFC's policy on the Concordat	•	•	•
Scottish Government Climate Action Plan	• Discussion on plan (expected December 2020) and links to SFC review	•	•	•	•
SG Inward Investment Strategy	•	•	•	•	•
REF 2021	•	• REF update (submission date 31/3/21) • Shape of informal consultation on use of REF 2021 in REG funding	•	•	• Evaluation of REF 2021 • Emerging position on use of REF 2021 in future REG funding
Future of research assessment	• Update and discussion on the work of the UK group on future of research assessment	•	•	•	• Emerging work on future of research assessment

Researcher Careers Concordat – SFC Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edited Concordat action plan to RKEC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
SFC Strategic Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicative funding allocations • SFC Council 4/2/21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final AY 2021-22 Funding allocations for FE and HE • Purdah active – Scottish election • SFC Council 6/5/21 • EU/International funding/Discovery fund 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SFC Council 24/6/21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SFC Council 2/9/21 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SFC Council 11 & 12/11/21