

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 UCR

Main topics of interest:

At this meeting we:

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

In other news we:

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