

## NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Twenty-fifth meeting of **NERC Council** in UK Research and Innovation  
to be held at **Lancaster University** on **Thursday, 20 June 2024**

### AGENDA

#### Introductory Items

1. 09:00 Welcome
  - i. Unconfirmed minutes of the 24th meeting of NERC Council of UKRI
  - ii. Decisions and actions, and matters arising

2. 09:10 Council retreat: discussion of outcomes

3. 10:10 Executive Chair's update

#### 10:40 Refreshments

#### Items for discussion

4. 11:00 Update from UKRI
5. 11:15 UKRI Organisational Change Programme
6. 11:40 Science presentations:
  - *Cutting edge molecular biology and environmental pollution using eDNA*, Dr Dan Read
  - *Adding value to DSIT Space Strategy and UK COP activities through NCEO and its science work*, Professor John Remedios

#### 12:40 Lunch

#### Standing items

7. 13:25 Future Leaders Council: agenda and annual report
8. 13:40 NERC Financial Outturn 2023/24 and Draft Budget 2024/25
9. 14:00 NERC Top Risks – Quarterly Risk Review
10. 14:15 Update by Chief Scientific Adviser, Defra
11. 14:30 Rolling programme of business
12. 14:35 AOB
13. 14:45 Meeting close

#### For discussion by exception

14. NERC Council Dashboard