

## NERC Management Board (NMB) Meeting

### Summary of discussions

1 May 2024

#### Held at Caxton House

**Members present:** Alison Robinson (Chair), Louise Heathwaite, Iain Williams, Caroline Bault, Christine Foster, Kim Shillinglaw, Sarah Turner, Dani Durston

**Board Observer:** Michaela Simpson and Kerry Firth

**Other attendees:** Andrew Bidwell (item 4), Lisa Bettington (item 5), Rachel Foy (item 6), Anna Angus-Smyth (item 8), Wendy Selby-Brown (item 10), Hannah Collins (item 11)

**Secretary:** Katrina Lewis

#### Executive Chair Update

Alison Robinson opened the meeting and welcomed members, while providing an update on changes with NERC Executive team, project led change, and improvements to risk conversations.

#### NMB Self-Assessment (24/13)

Christine Foster highlighted the findings from the annual self-assessment.

#### OpEx (24/14)

Michaela Simpson indicated the work that is currently taking place to produce an agile workforce.

#### NERC Top Risks (24/15)

Andrew Bidwell attended to discuss risk and the improvements being made to identify risk.

#### NERC future engagement with the Research Complex at Harwell (RCaH) (24/16)

NMB approved the recommendation.

#### NERC Evaluation (24/17)

NMB were informed of evaluation activity over the last year.

#### Risk deep dive (24/18)

NMB discussed mitigations to bring risks within appetite.

#### Changes to NERC High Performance Computing (HPC) budget governance (24/19)

NMB agreed the change to accountable owner.

#### Ship capital and ship resourcing (24/20)

NMB agreed to bring together ship capital and resource decisions at CPEB.

#### NERC Finance (24/21)

Wendy Selby-Brown provided a general finance update.

#### Integration of public dialogue findings into NERC operations (24/22)

Hannah Collins proposed options to integrate recent findings.

#### NERC Environmental Sustainability action plan (24/24)

Approved with nil comments.

#### FAAM MLU Extension (24/25)

Approved with nil comments.

**Standing items**

NMB noted the standing items including approval of the minutes of January 2024, the NERC Board Observers Issue Log and matters arising from UKRI meetings and the rolling programme of business.

**Date of next meeting**

The next NERC Management Board meeting would be held on 18 July 2024.