

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Three hundred and seventeenth meeting of **NERC council**, to be held at Alexandra House, Wroughton, Swindon SN4 0QJ, on Thursday 5 March 2015.

AGENDA

Introductory Items				Protective Marking
1.	09:00	Chairman's update (non-executive members only)		
2.	09:10	Chairman's welcome and introduction		
3.	09:20	i. Unconfirmed minutes of 316 th meeting of NERC Council	NERC 15/01	O/S
		ii. Decisions and actions, and matters arising	NERC 15/02	O/S
Items for discussion				
4.	09:30	Discussion of Council retreat outcomes	Oral	
	10:30	<i>Coffee</i>		
5.	10:45	Chief Executive update and key activities	NERC 15/03	O/S
6.	11:15	Financial	NERC 15/04	O/S
		i. forecast and context		
		ii. risk		
7.	11:45	Update from BIS representative	Oral	
8.	12:00	CSR and Nurse Review	NERC 15/05	O/S
	12:30	<i>Lunch</i>		
9.	13:00	Research centre ownership & governance	NERC 15/06	O/S
		• Progress to Gateway 2: BGS and NCAS		
		• Gateway 3: update and progress report on CEH and NOC		
10.	13:30	National capability commissioning	NERC 15/07	O/S
11.	14:00	Strategic science update	NERC 15/08	O/S
12.	14:45	New polar research vessel	NERC 15/09	O/S
	15:30	<i>Coffee</i>		
Standing items				
13.	15:45	Rolling programme of business	NERC 15/10	
14.	15:50	Report of the Science and Innovation Strategy Board (SISB) meeting: 27-28 January 2015	NERC 15/11	O/S
15.	16:00	Report of the NERC Audit & Risk Assurance Committee (ARAC) meeting: 4 February 2015	NERC 15/12	O/S
16.	16:10	ARAC Annual report to Council	NERC 15/13	O/S
17.	16:20	Report of the Innovation Advisory Board (IAB) meeting: 29 January 2015	NERC 15/14	O/S
18.	16:30	Any other business		
19.	16:35	Meeting close		

Key O/S – OFFICIAL: SENSITIVE