

SWANSEA UNIVERSITY

Research Innovation and Impact Committee

1. Reporting

The Research Innovation and Impact Committee reports to the Senate.

2. Occurrence

The Committee should meet at least once each term. Special meetings may be called by the Chair of the Committee. The Committee shall use email circulation or telephone/video conferencing as appropriate to progress its business effectively.

3. Composition

The Committee membership consists of:

RIIC MEMBERSHIP 2021

Pro- Vice Chancellor Research and Innovation – Professor Helen Griffiths (Chair)
Associate Dean, RII, Faculty of Medicine, Health and Life Sciences – Professor Gareth Jenkins plus one faculty representative.

Associate Dean, Research Innovation and Impact (RII), Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences – Professor Jonathan Bradbury plus one faculty representative

Associate Dean, RII, Faculty of Science and Engineering – Professor Perumal Nithiarasu plus one faculty representative.

Director of the Morgan Advanced Studies Institute – Professor Matt Jones

Deputy Pro-Vice Chancellor Post Graduate Research - Professor Gert Aarts

Nominated Postdoctoral Researcher Representative Deputy Pro-Vice Chancellor Research Culture - TBC

Deputy Pro-Vice Chancellor Knowledge Exchange, Enterprise & Partnerships - TBC
Nominated representative from the Research Staff Working Group

4. Terms of Office

Or this statement for other Committees – There should be due regard to the provisions of the Equality act to ensure diversity and inclusivity. The composition and membership may change with agreement of the committee.

5. Attendance

At the discretion of the Chair other University officers, as may be appropriate, shall be invited to attend meetings.

RIIC Attendees

Director of Research Engagement and Innovation Services (REIS) – Ceri Jones
Associate Director of REIS and Head of Research Development – Julie Williams
University Librarian – Alexander Roberts
Head of Engagement, Innovation & Entrepreneurship – Emma Dunbar
Committee Secretary and Deputy Head of Research Development – Rebecca Lewis
Research and Innovation Hub Manager – Rotate each meeting.
Research Excellence Framework Programme Manager - TBC
Researcher Development Human Resources Lead – Charlotte Morgans
MRI Representative – Emma Nehemiah

6. Quorum

One third of the membership of the Committee will form a quorum.

7. Purpose

The purpose of the Research, Innovation and Impact Committee is to inform, influence and advance the University-wide oversight and coordination of the activities that facilitate excellent research, innovation and impact and a thriving research culture and environment.

8. Terms of Reference

The duties of the Committee shall be:

- developing and implementing the University Research and Innovation Strategy and implementation plan;
- reviewing the progress being made against the Plan. Considering periodic reports on research performance, research quality and the generation of research income, including relevant national and international benchmarking data where available, advising on risks and opportunities;
- overseeing, via the Postgraduate Research Committee, effective strategies for the recruitment, support and successful progression of postgraduate students; overseeing development and monitoring delivery of the University's activities in relation to the implementation of the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers;
- overseeing development and local implementation of policies necessary for the responsible conduct of research and innovation including Open Scholarship and Trusted Research, and for the Knowledge Exchange Concordat;
- overseeing the ongoing development and delivery of the University's Research Communications Strategy identifying and setting grand challenges in relation to key elements of the R&I Strategy and developing, promoting and monitoring policies and practices to stimulate research in the agreed areas;
- identifying and progressing funding opportunities to create the appropriate environment and associated infrastructure to advance the University's research and impact;

- promoting collaboration and interdisciplinary research, including through MASI, both internally and externally, nationally and internationally; promoting engagement with key external stakeholders relating to research, knowledge exchange, intellectual property and commercialisation promoting and disseminating the cross-institutional exchange of information and ideas and for the promotion of good practice in research and innovation and promoting research, engagement and impact successes; recommending the establishment, amendment and disestablishment of University Research Institutes, receiving reports and reviewing their performance at suitable intervals;
- monitoring developments and trends in the UK and international research and innovation landscape; engaging in a timely way and influencing through external body membership in line with the R&I strategy; monitoring and reviewing the University's plans for internationalisation as they relate to research and innovation receiving and considering reports from the University Research Ethics Integrity and Governance Committee, Faculty Research Committees, PGR Committee, REIS and related subgroups;
- actively consider Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in all decisions made establishing sub-groups as may be required to deliver specific areas of the Committee's remit. reporting to Senate on its activities and advising on any matter referred to it by Senate.

4. Sub Committees/ Groups :

- Post Graduate Research Committee
- Research Staff Working Group
- Research Strategy Steering Board
- RWIF Oversight Committee
- MASI oversight Committee
- Open Science Forum

5. Other

To consider any other matters referred to the Committee by Senate.

6. Effectiveness Review

- To review annually the effectiveness of the Committee against its terms of reference and propose any recommendations for change to the Research Innovation Impact Committee.

7. Powers

- To act with authority delegated by Senate;
- To set up such task and finish groups as are necessary to expedite the Committee's business;

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Next Review Date: October 2023