

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Two hundred and eighty third meeting of NERC Council, to be held in the Leven Room, CEH Edinburgh, Bush Estate, Penicuik, Midlothian on Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd July 2008.

AGENDA - Day 1

15:00 Council members arrive at CEH Edinburgh

Standing items

- | | | | |
|---|-------|--|----------------|
| 1 | 15:10 | Welcome and introduction | Oral |
| 2 | 15:15 | Executive Report | NERC 08/31 (P) |
| 3 | 15:55 | Unconfirmed minutes of the 282 nd meeting of Council held on 8 th May 2008 | NERC 08/32 (P) |
| 4 | 16:00 | Decisions and Actions and Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 282 nd meeting | NERC 08/33 (P) |
| | 16:10 | Refreshments | |
| | 16:25 | CEH Presentation to Council | |
| | 17:25 | Science based tour of building | |
| | 18:30 | Coach transport to hotel (Parliament House Hotel) | |
| | 19:30 | Pre-dinner drinks at hotel | |
| | 20:00 | Council Dinner | |

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RESEARCH COUNCIL

Two hundred and eighty third meeting of NERC Council, to be held in the Leven Room, CEH Edinburgh, Bush Estate, Penicuik, Midlothian on Thursday 3rd July 2008 commencing at 09.00.

AGENDA - Day 2

Introductory items

Strategic
Objective

- | | | | | |
|---|-------|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| 5 | 09:00 | Chairman's welcome and introduction | Oral | |
| 6 | 09:05 | Financial forecast and context | NERC 08/34 (P) | |

Item for decision

- | | | | | |
|---|-------|------------------------------|----------------|--------|
| 7 | 09:15 | Theme Action Plans | NERC 08/35 (P) | 5 - 11 |
| | 11:00 | Break for refreshments | | |
| | 11:15 | Theme Action Plans continued | | |
| | 12:40 | Lunch | | |

Items for discussion

- | | | | | |
|----|-------|--|----------------|----|
| 8 | 13:10 | Strategic Management Tool (First Quarterly report) | NERC 08/36 (P) | 18 |
| 9 | 13:55 | NERC Approach to next Government Spending Review | NERC 08/37 (P) | |
| 10 | 14:10 | Annual Delivery Report | NERC 08/38 (P) | 18 |
| | 14:20 | Break for refreshments | | |

Standing items

- | | | | | |
|----|-------|---|----------------|--|
| 11 | 14:30 | Discussion regarding presentation to Council on 2 nd July 08 | Oral | |
| 12 | 14:45 | Report of the Council Audit Committee meeting | | |
| | | i) Confirmed minutes of April 2008 meeting | NERC 08/39 (P) | |
| | | ii) Draft minutes of June 2008 meeting | NERC 08/40 (P) | |
| | | iii) Council Audit Committee Review of Capital Expenditure Forecasting | NERC 08/41 (P) | |
| 13 | 15:10 | Science and Innovation Strategy Board report | NERC 08/42 (P) | |
| 14 | 15:30 | Rolling programme of Business | NERC 08/43 | |
| 15 | 15:40 | Any other business | Oral | |
| | 16:00 | Meeting close | | |

Papers for Information:

- i) **Update on Business Cycles – NERC 08/44**
- ii) **FAB Update - NERC 08/45 (P)**
- iii) Common NERC Acronyms
- iv) Membership of Council 2007/2008
- v) Attendance at NERC Council 2007/2008
- vi) The Mission of the NERC
- vii) Council Policy on Vested Interests
- viii) SMT Top level objectives