Vice Chancellor's Office

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 15 February 2022

Please see below a brief summary of the main topics of discussion at the recent meeting of UCRI:

Main topics of interest:

At this meeting we:

- Ratified the ECR output selections across the four themes to be formally awarded at the Engagement and Impact Awards ceremony
- Discussed a potential candidate to be put forward to the Leverhulme International Professorship call
- Agreed to hold a second RETF Open Call this year which will be rolled out soon

In other news:

- We are preparing to begin work on a review of our research culture
- We are establishing a responsible metrics working group for recruitment, probation and promotion
- In collaboration with Public Health for Berkshire we are looking to convene a group to talk about education and research opportunities within public health
- The Health Strategy Group is being resurrected to bring together people from education and research with an interest in health
- An exciting collaboration between FTT, South Street Arts Centre, the MERL and the company Fast Familiar (part of the ACE-funded Work in Progress project) has resulted in a new work *The Acquisitions Panel*
- Work is beginning on the Agriculture and Food scoping exercise
- There is a new embryonic Microsoft collaboration on identities and blockchain (CS – Atta Badii).