

Research and Knowledge Transfer Committee

Membership

Deputy Vice Chancellor (Chair)

Registrar and Secretary

Director of Regional Engagement

Director of Information and Learning Services or nominee

Director of Quality and Educational Development

Head of Business Development Office

Research Training Co-ordinator

Up to two nominees from each academic institute, to include the Research Co-ordinator and the person responsible for the Knowledge Transfer agenda, unless this is one and the same person

Secretary: Manager of Graduate Research School

Up to 2 co-opted members

Terms of Reference of Research and Knowledge Transfer Committee

The Research and Knowledge Transfer Committee is concerned with matters of policy and strategy to promote, across the University, research, scholarly activity, knowledge transfer, innovation and enterprise.

1. To advise the Academic Board on the University's policy and strategy to foster and to encourage research, scholarship and knowledge transfer, and to raise the external profile of the University in these areas of its activity.
2. To ensure that there is synergy between the strategies and policies to promote research, knowledge transfer and innovation, and other institutional strategies, including the Learning, Teaching and Assessment strategies.
3. To develop appropriate procedures relating to the conduct of research and knowledge transfer and to monitor their implementation (this includes responsibility for ethical issues and intellectual property).
4. To identify and disseminate effective practice in the generation and transfer of knowledge, in order to make an effective contribution to the economy and culture of the University's sub-region and to stimulate a culture of enterprise and innovation.
5. To receive annual reports including Research Reports from the Institutes/Worcester Business School, and the Research Centres.
6. To oversee the institutional response to the Research Excellence Framework and any successor arrangements.
7. To monitor the activities of the Graduate Research School and the Business Development Office, and ensure these activities contribute to the achievement of the University's Strategic Plan.
8. To make recommendations to the Academic Board on the approval and monitoring of research and specialist centres.
9. To advise on staff and professional development activities to ensure that staff have the requisite skills and expertise to support the University's aims and objectives in this area.
10. To advise the Executive Group on the resources necessary for the successful conduct of research, knowledge transfer and related activities