Newcastle University ESRC IAA Steering Group
Membership and Terms of Reference

Membership

Internal Representatives

Dr Daithí Mac Síthigh - Associate Dean of Research and Innovation & Acting ESRC IAA Director (on behalf of Daniel Zizzo)
Professor Nick Wright - PVC, Research & Innovation
Professor Richard Davies - PVC, Engagement
Professor Mark Shucksmith - Director, Newcastle Institute of Social Renewal
Fiona McCusker - Business Development Manager
Sue Mitchell - Research Funding Development Manager
Kate Morris - Business Development Manager
Dr Angie Scott - Faculty Research Impact Officer
Lorna Taylor - Faculty Research Manager and secretary
Andrea Henderson - Engagement Manager
Dr Eve Forrest – ESRC IAA Officer
Chris Angus - EPSRC Impact Acceleration and IP Manager

ESRC IAA Impact champions (Newcastle Institute for Social Renewal, NISR)

Dr Suzanne Moffatt - NISR Theme Champion (Health and Inequality)
Professor Mark Tewdwr-Jones - Theme Champion (People, Place and Community)
Professor Liz Todd - NISR Theme Champion (Learning for Change) & Deputy Director NISR
Dr Fiona Whitehurst - NISR Theme Champion (Enterprise in Society)

External Representatives (Research Users)

Simon Hanson - Development Manager, Federation of Small Businesses
Philip Hunter - Senior Policy Specialist, Newcastle City Council
Lisa Goodwin - Chief Executive, North Tyneside VODA
Michelle Rainbow - Skills for Business Manager, North East LEP
Richard Snell - Territory Ecosystem Representative, IBM
Dr Gerald Tompkins - Specialty Registrar in Public Health, Gateshead Council. N.B. From August, Gerald will be Consultant in Public Health Medicine
Kate Welch - Chief Executive, Social Enterprise Acumen CIC
Chris Zarraga - Director of Operations & Development, Schools North East

Terms of Reference

1. To support the aims of the Newcastle ESRC IAA, building on Newcastle University’s existing track record of engaged social sciences to bring about a substantial engagement in our capacity to contribute positively to society and the economy through:

   • Enhancing the capacity of Newcastle staff and PGRs to undertake social science research which has beneficial impacts;
   • Increasing the range, quality and impact of knowledge exchange with external partners;
- Enhancing Newcastle’s experience of and reputation in undertaking ‘excellent research with a purpose’;
- Enhancing our expertise and involvement in co-produced research;
- Enhancing our contribution to social renewal;
- Contributing to wealth creation, to the development of policy and professional practice and to civil society.

2. To oversee the operation of the Newcastle ESRC IAA, including the approval of funding calls and ratification of awards [NB funding allocation decisions will be made openly and transparently by a delegated sub-group of the Steering Group, the ESRC IAA Fund Awards Panel. This panel will meet 4-5 times (3 times for the Newcastle schemes and 1-2 times for NE scheme) per year, chaired by the IAA Director with research user and ESRC IAA impact champion representatives by rotation].

3. To provide input to the North East ESRC Impact Capacity-Building Programme which is an important vehicle for raising awareness of and interest in the impact agenda within Newcastle University’s community of social scientists and on other events designed to attract potential new partners to become involved in our impact-generating activities.

**Frequency of meetings:** Twice a year for Steering Group, with additional Newcastle and NE Fund Awards Panel dates for Autumn, Spring and Summer calls (please see below diagram and notes – external users and impact champions are selected by rotation, based on availability).

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### Newcastle ESRC IAA Governance Structure

**Newcastle ESRC IAA Steering Group**
- (IAA Director Chair, PVC (R&I), PVC (Engagement), six research users, four IAA impact champions, plus “Core Team”)
- (Meeting twice per annum)

**Newcastle ESRC IAA Management Group**
- (IAA Director Chair plus “Core Team”)
- (Meeting six times per annum)

**Newcastle ESRC IAA Fund Awards Panel**
- (IAA Director Chair, Impact Officer, NISR Director, three research users, two impact champions)
- (Meeting three times per annum)

**North East ESRC IAA Fund Awards Panel**
- (Chair - to alternate between NU IAA Director & DU IAA Director)

**Durham Collaboration**

**Memorandum of Agreement with Durham University**

**Newcastle University Strand**

- Reporting Lines
- Information Sharing
- NISR Director, Research Manager, ESRC Impact Officer, Research Funding Development Manager, Business Development Manager and Officer, Impact Support Officer.

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"Core Team"