# AGENDA TWENTY SECOND MEETING OF THE UK NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ANTARCTIC RESEARCH

1 pm, Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 Seminar Room 1, British Antarctic Survey, Cambridge

1. Welcome, Introductions, Apologies and Agenda (P)	Jane Francis
2. Minutes of the Twenty-first Meeting on 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2016 (P)	Jane Francis
3. Matters Arising including Actions from Last Meeting (P)	Jane Francis
4. UKNCAR Membership and Co-opted Members (P)	Jen Jackson
5. Report from the Director of BAS	Jane Francis
6. <u>Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research</u> (P)	
(i) Standing Scientific Groups Reports	
Geosciences.	
Life Sciences	Huw Griffiths
Physical Sciences.	Steve Colwell
(ii) Update on Scientific Research Programmes	
Past Antarctic Ice Sheet Dynamics (PAIS)	Rob Larter
Astronomy and Astrophysics from Antarctica (AAA)	
AntClim21	Tom Bracegirdle
AntEco (P)	Huw Griffiths
AnT-ERA	Huw Griffiths
SERCE	Pippa Whitehouse
(iii) Update on SCAR Expert Groups and data products	
ACCE (P)	John Turner
ICED	Nadine Johnston
IPICS	Eric Wolff
OpMet	Steve Colwell
AntVOLC	John Smellie
ANTOS	Huw Griffiths
SCAGI.(P)	Adrian Fox
(iv) Update on SCAR Treaty activities (P)	Jane Francis
(v) Update on SCAR activities	Jenny Baeseman
7. Future science developments	Mike Bentley

8. UK Polar Network (P)	Archana Dayal
9. UK Polar Data Centre	Helen Peat
10. The UK Arctic and Antarctic Polar Partnership	Henry Burgess
11. Royal Society	
(i) Communications	Mike Bentley
(ii) SCAR Subscription	Jane Francis
12. NERC	
(i) Updates	Jen Jackson
13. Any Other Business	

# **MEETING END**

<u>Confirmed</u>: Jane Francis, Jennifer Jackson, John Turner, Mike Bentley, Dorothee Bakker, Henry Burgess, Steve Colwell, John Smellie, Jenny Baeseman, Eric Wolff, Rob Larter, Tom Bracegirdle, Julian Dowdeswell, Huw Griffiths, Kate Hendry, Pippa Whitehouse, Helen Peat, Katie Gosling, Archana Dayal, Nadine Johnston, Adrian Fox

<u>Apologies</u>: Anne Hicks, Martin Siegert, Anne Jungblut, Amber Leeson, Robert Bingham, Eugene Murphy, Kev Hughes, David Hopkins, Jemma Wadham, Eugene Murphy, Stuart Doubleday, Jane Rumble, Pete Convey, Lloyd Peck, Jessica Surma, Helen Beadman

## **Documentation:**

No.	Subject	Documentation	Agenda Item No.
1	22 <sup>nd</sup> meeting agenda	22 <sup>nd</sup> _Agenda	1
2	20 <sup>th</sup> Meeting minutes	UKNCAR 21st Minutes unconfirmed v4.pdf	2
3	Actions from last meeting	UKNCAR 21st Actions.pdf	3
4	UKNCAR Membership	UKNCAR members 2017-18 v1.xls;	4
5	Report on SCAR activities 2016-2017	UKNCAR report to Royal Society 3.17	6
6	Brief updates received on SCAR SRPs/EGs	SCAR group updates 130617	6.2
7	Ant-Eco report 2017	AntEco report UKNCAR 2017	6.2
8	ACCE report 2017 to ATCM	ATCM40_ip080_ACCE_report.pdf	6.3
9	ICED report 2017	ICED info for NCAR 2017	6.3
10	SCAGI report	SCAR-SCAGI report UKNCAR 2017.pdf	6.3
11	SCAR policy engagement at the ATCM	SCAR ATCM XL and CEP II_v2	6.4
12	UKPN report	UKNCAR-UKPN update	8
13	NERC grant success 2013-2016	NERC polar grant success 2013-2016	12

## UK NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR ANTARCTIC RESEARCH

# Terms of Reference

- 1. The UK National Committee for Antarctic Research is a committee under the auspices of the Royal Society, the national body representing UK interests to the International Council for Science (ICSU). Responsibility for the administration of the Committee shall be delegated to the British Antarctic Survey (BAS).
- 2. The Committee shall meet at least once each year and provide publicly available minutes of its decisions.
- 3. The membership shall include but not be restricted to:

# Ex officio:

- Director of BAS
- Director of the Scott Polar Research Institute
- A nominee of the Royal Society

#### Members:

- UK Office Holders of the Scientific Committee on Antarctic Research (SCAR)
- UK Representatives appointed to the SCAR Standing Scientific Groups
- UK Delegate and Alternative Delegate to SCAR.

## Co-opted:

- Individuals representing UK scientific interests in the Antarctic not already adequately represented (particularly from organisations other than BAS).
- 4. The terms of office for *Ex officio* Members and UK Office Holders, Representatives and Delegates to SCAR will not be restricted, because of their terms of appointment. Co-opted members will serve for a period of three years, once renewable.
- 5. A Chairman will be selected from the membership outside BAS and appointed with the approval of the Royal Society. The Chairman shall serve for a period of no more than five years. The Chairman will also be a member of the Royal Society's Scientific Unions Committee.
- 6. The Committee shall be responsible for promoting and co-ordinating the UK's interest in the activities of SCAR and other areas of international Antarctic scientific activity as required. The Committee responsibilities will include the following:
  - (i) to elect the UK Delegate and the Alternate Delegate to SCAR;
  - (ii) to brief and debrief the UK Delegates;
  - (iii) to appoint the UK Representatives to the Standing Scientific Groups and brief them
  - (iv) to maintain knowledge of Antarctic science activities in the UK especially in relation to international activities and to disseminate information on the activities of SCAR;
  - (v) to coordinate UK activities in Antarctic research and consider future developments:
  - (vi) to keep the Royal Society informed of UK Antarctic activities and to report to the Scientific Unions Committee;
  - (vii) to set up ad hoc working groups and/or organise meetings as necessary.
- 7. All members of the Committee shall accept responsibilities for consulting with their disciplinary colleagues active in Antarctic research to ensure that the Committee's decisions are informed by community concerns. They will also be responsible for providing information to the UK science community on the activities of SCAR.
- 8. A small Executive of no more than six members of the Committee will provide the interaction between SCAR and the Committee. The Executive's membership shall be the Chairman, the UK Office Holders of SCAR, and the principal UK Representative from the SCAR Standing Scientific Groups and Committees not already represented.
- 9. Any changes to the terms of reference shall be agreed by both the Royal Society and BAS. 19/04/2004