

Innovation Advisory Council for Wales

21st August 2020, Virtual Meeting

Minutes

Present: David Notley (DN) (co-chair)
Claire Durkin (CD) (co-chair)
Andy Middleton (AM)
Kevin Morgan (KM)
Ian Brotherston (IB)
Carol Bell (CB)
Steve Smith (SS)
Karen Cherrett (KC)
Rony Seamons (RS)

Apologies: Rhys Thomas (RT)
Rob Ashelford (RA)
Helen Swygart (HS)

Secretariat: Philippa Costello (PC)
Greg Green (GG)
Kate Williams (KW)

Agenda item		Action
1	<p>Welcome</p> <p>DN welcomed council members to the 23rd IACW meeting.</p> <p>Council members present were asked to indicate any direct or indirect conflicts of interest in the proposed agenda items. No new interests were recorded.</p>	
2	<p>IACW Update</p> <p>DN informed Council that Sue Bale is stepping down from Council. DN thanked SB for her commitment and dedication to Council over the last 6 years.</p> <p>Please could Council members send any suggestions for potential new members, particularly with a background in health, public sector and private sector, to DN, CD and PC.</p> <p>DN welcomed KC to her first Council meeting.</p>	IACW
3	<p>Innovation Policy</p> <p>GG updated Council on the Innovate UK Strategy and the UK R&D Roadmap.</p> <p>IUK are developing a new innovation strategy for the UK setting out a vision for the next 5 years. External consultation workshops</p>	

	<p>will be taking place in the next 3-4 weeks and will provide an opportunity to make a contribution to the strategy.</p> <p>DN and CD believe Council should attend the workshops. Please let PC and IB know if you would like to attend one of the workshops.</p> <p>PC to circulate workshop consultation.</p> <p>The UK's R&D Roadmap sets out the UK's vision for science, research and innovation.</p> <p>Welsh Government have responded to the consultation and its response has been approved by Ministers in Wales. Even though the consultation closed on 12 August, it is unlikely that this will be the end of any further engagement. Therefore, please could Council review the UK R&D Roadmap consultation, and provide any further comment and feedback on the WG response by the end of September to PC, CD and DN.</p> <p>PC to circulate link to UK R&D Roadmap consultation and the WG response.</p>	<p>IACW</p> <p>PC</p> <p>IACW</p> <p>PC</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Brown Review</p> <p>CD updated Council on IACW's involvement in the Brown Review.</p> <p>Emerging from the review, a major proposal for a Data Nation Accelerator is being developed, now with the engagement of IACW (CD, KC, RS and IB), which reaches from skills to incubator acceleration for businesses. A formal joint steering group is being proposed between IACW and the Brown Review members to see the project to realisation. This piece of work requires representatives from IACW, please let PC know if you wish to join.</p> <p>PC to circulate a selection of KC slides which provide some background information.</p>	<p>IACW</p> <p>PC</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Craf Cymru</p> <p>DN updated Council on Craf Cymru, which aims to map real time innovation data in Wales.</p> <p>A fully worked up proposal on the development of Craf Cymru will be available in October/November. DN to keep Council updated on progress.</p> <p>CB to nominate contact from DBW to talk to RA about the use of the DBW data.</p> <p>RS highlighted the Industrial Network model in Taiwan. RS to make connection for DN to follow up.</p> <p>RS, KC, CD, DN, RA are currently involved in the steering group, please could other members let PC know if you wish to be involved.</p>	<p>DN</p> <p>CB</p> <p>RS</p> <p>IACW</p>

<p>6</p>	<p>AOB</p> <p>Please send any responses on the Manufacturing Manifesto consultation to DN, CD and PC by mid next week to enable CD to collate a single response from Council.</p> <p>PC to forward Manufacturing Manifesto consultation paper to KC.</p> <p>The date for the next virtual IACW meeting is scheduled for 6-8 weeks. PC to issue date.</p>	<p>IACW</p> <p>PC</p> <p>PC</p>