

## **SCHOOL OF BIOLOGICAL AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Name of Committee: Research Strategy Group (RSG)**

#### **Purpose: The RSG will**

1. Promote and oversee discussion relating to research across the School.
2. Develop strategies to enhance grant applications and their success.
3. Develop strategies to enhance impact-related research activity.
4. Advise on School's use and future needs in facilities and space.
5. Promote and oversee discussion relating to research equipment.
6. Provide a forum for discussion of strategic topics in research across the School.
7. Provide a conduit for information flow relating to research directions and priorities from senior management to the School.
8. Report research discussions at department level.

#### **Membership:**

1. Caroline Brennan, Director of Research (Chair)
2. Richard Pickersgill, Head of School
3. Viji Draviam, Director of Industrial Innovation
4. Janelle Jones, Director of Graduate Studies
5. Vidya Darbari, Deputy Director of Graduate Studies
6. Andrew Leitch, SBCS Impact Lead
7. Lars Chittka, Senior Research Fellow Representative
8. Chema Martin, Early Career Representative and representative for Evolutionary Genetics and Genomics research theme
9. Paul Hurd, Representative for Evolutionary Genetics and Genomics research theme
10. Lee Henry, Representative for Animal and Network Ecology
11. Peter Thorpe, Representative for Cell Dynamics research theme
12. Mark van Breugel, Representative for Structural Biology research theme
13. Frederike Beyer, Department Representative for Psychology
14. Frances Healy, Research Services Manager (secretary)

**Frequency:** Monthly meetings (meetings may be less frequent if not required.)

**Quorum:** No decisions will be made at a meeting of the Committee unless at least 50% of the membership is present at the meeting.

**Reports to:** The RSG is a sub-Committee of the SBBS Staff Committee and will normally provide reports on its proceedings to the parent committee.

**Reports received:** Departmental research leads to report at each meeting.

**Member responsibilities:** Arranging monthly research workshops within their sections to discuss research strategy, grant applications and paper submissions, and to feed back updates from RSG.

Attending RSG meetings to feed back on updates from their section.