

Committee	UHI North, West and Hebrides Board of Management, Learning, Teaching and Research Committee and Finance and General Purposes Committee										
Subject	NWH Research and Knowledge Exchange Quarterly Report December 2024 – February 2025										
Action requested	☒ For information only ☐ For discussion ☐ For recommendation ☐ For endorsement ☐ For approval										
Summary of the paper	The NWH Research and Knowledge Exchange Quarterly Report provides an update on Research and KE activity across NWH. It is not intended to be comprehensive; but rather give a representative picture of the range and diversity of research and knowledge exchange being undertaken across the institution while highlighting initiatives, outputs and impacts where appropriate. The same report is circulated to several groups and interested parties i.e., to act as a ‘single point of truth’ that can be used and shared with confidence. The report is be circulated to: • NWH Research and Knowledge Exchange Staff • NWH Communication team • NWH Executive • NWH Highland Board of Management • UHI Dean of Research and Knowledge Exchange This approach has been developed to ensure consistency, transparency and mitigate reporting burden (i.e. avoiding the production of several different reports for different audiences) in a manner that enables robust monitoring of metrics (for NWH, UHI and REF). Certain sections of the report are relevant to Committees of the NWH Highland Board of Management. These are as follows: • Finance and General purposes Committee Activity Reports and Outputs • Learning Teaching and Research Committee - Research and KE funding applications The report is produced on a quarterly basis to enable KPIs to be monitored according to the following schedule: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Period covered</th><th>Circulation</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>September to November</td><td>December</td></tr> <tr> <td>December – February</td><td>March</td></tr> <tr> <td>March - May</td><td>June</td></tr> <tr> <td>June – August</td><td>September</td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Period covered	Circulation	September to November	December	December – February	March	March - May	June	June – August	September
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Resource implications	N/A
Risk implications	No
Date paper prepared	Circulated to all ELT March 2025 and shared with all staff thereafter.
Date of Board / Committee meeting	Various
Author	Prof Stuart Gibb and Barbara Bremner with contributions from all NWH Research and KE team
Link with strategy Please highlight how the paper links to the Strategic Plan	Research (and KE) one of the pillars of the NWH strategy
Island communities	The rural and islands college merger may have an impact on the Western Isles and islands covered by West Highland College that is different to other communities. As part of the merger process, the University will undertake an Island Communities Impact Assessment.
Status (e.g., confidential, non-confidential)	Non confidential
Freedom of information	Yes
Consultation How has consultation with partners been conducted?	Reporting format has been discussed with research and KE leads across NWH; with NWH Research and KE Committee and with the Chair of NWH LT+R Committee.

Recommendation – For information