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Research Office: Update 2 – Rating Outcomes and Appeals

The Research Office would like to provide an update concerning the NRF rating outcomes.

Please note that the institution began receiving outcomes for the **2024/25** rating cycle last month. The NRF has indicated that it expects to complete the evaluation process by the end of August to mid-September. This includes the appeal outcomes.

Regarding the **2025/26** cycle (this year's applications), the review panels are scheduled to convene in August 2026. Consequently, we have been advised that the outcomes are therefore expected to be finalised and announced by 24 December 2026.

Any further updates or new developments will be communicated as soon as they become available.

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