

Meeting summary: 26 and 27 April 2017

Attending:

Mark Walport
Nancy Rothwell
Philip Bond
Keith Burnett
Gareth Davies
Ann Dowling
Paul Golby
Julia Goodfellow
Robert Lechler
Mike Lynch
Dervilla Mitchell
Venki Ramakrishnan
Colin Smith
Nick Stern

Apologies:

Fiona Murray
Charles Roxburgh
John Kingman

Guests:

Stian Westlake
Jane Elliot
Paul Drabwell
Joe Manning
Alan Wilson
Howard Covington
Jennifer Stuart
Rupert Lewis

Day 1

The Council discussed the impact of their recent advice to government about robotics, automation and AI, and entrepreneurship education in universities.

Rupert Lewis, Director of the Government Office for Science, gave a presentation about the Foresight Programme's project on the Future of Skills and Lifelong learning.

Venki Ramakrishnan, President of the Royal Society, gave a presentation about work on international science collaboration.

Members met with the Cabinet Secretary Sir Jeremy Heywood to discuss priorities for the UK.

Day 2

Members provided updates about CST's current programme of work.

CST was joined by the following guests to discuss issues around science and place: Stian Westlake, Policy Adviser to Jo Johnson; Professor Jane Elliott, Chief Executive, ESRC; Paul Drabwell, Deputy Director for Innovation and Place, BEIS; Joe Manning, Deputy Director for the Cities and Local Growth Unit at DCLG; and Will Davis from Number 10.

CST met with the following guests to discuss the progress and next steps for the Alan Turing Institute, which was established following a CST recommendation in 2013:

- Professor Sir Alan Wilson, CEO of the Alan Turing Institute
- Howard Covington, Chair of the Alan Turing Institute; and
- Dr Jennifer Stuart, Strategic Support Manager at the Alan Turing Institute.