

Careers from Science Governance

Background

The *Careers from Science* (CfS) web-based initiative, will encourage more youngsters to engage with science, appreciate why they study science in school and the opportunities that are available from studying science, technology, engineering and maths, STEM, subjects.

The *Careers from Science* website, aimed at students aged 11-19, will increase their awareness of the wide range of career paths available from studying STEM. The Project will bring together the good quality information already available to produce a website which is immediately accessible via different search engines, with a content and ethos which is audience driven rather than organisation/discipline driven; and one that will identify opportunities for new content to be produced without the risk of duplication.

In the research phase of the project the governance has taken the form of a Steering Group and an Operations Group. Now that the scoping research has been completed and a project manager appointed the governance has been revised to reflect the requirements for taking the project forward. The project will be guided by an Advisory Group and will report to the Science Council Board four times a year. In addition to this the project manager will consult as appropriate with the wider consortium members.

Advisory Group

Group Purpose

The Advisory Group will provide expert advice and guidance to support the CfS project manager in the direction and delivery of the CfS project. The group will ensure the project maintains relevance for all areas of science, technology, engineering and maths, and will use their knowledge and contacts to make sure the project draws on the experience of the STEM community.

Frequency of Meetings

The Advisory Group will meet approximately every two months or as required. It is anticipated that consultation will also take place by email between meetings and, less formally, on an individual basis.

Group Membership

The group membership aims to represent a variety of perspectives and experience and is intended to, as far as possible, cover the broad range of subjects incorporated in the CfS project. The initial membership below has been chosen to give a range of organisation views and also for their personal range of experience. Additional individuals may be co-opted on to the group when required for a specific phase or project area as gaps in expertise are identified.

Nicola Hannam	Project Manager, Science Council - Chair
Marianne Cutler	Association for Science Education
Jane Westwell	BioScience Federation (Soc. For General Microbiology)
David Evans	British Computer Society
Adrian Talbot	Engineering and Technology Board
Neil Roscoe	Institute of Biology
Sarah Knapper	Institute of Food Science and Technology
Daniel Sandford Smith	Institute of Physics
Peter Cooper	London Mathematical Society (Board Representative)
Colin Osborne	Royal Society of Chemistry
Robin Mellors-Bourne	Careers Research and Advisory Centre (Observer role)