

**Public Health Research Programme (PHR)**

**Minutes of the Research Funding Board (RFB) Meeting**

<b>Date</b>	Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 February 2017	
<b>Venue</b>	Danubius Hotel, Regents Park, London, NW8 7JT	
<b>Present members</b>	<p><i>Members:</i>            Professor Martin White,            Professor Frank Kee,            Professor Peymane Adab            Dr Adrian Barker            Professor Linda Bauld            Dr Adam Fletcher            Dr Felix Greaves            Professor Kate Hunt,            Professor Russ Jago            Professor Andy Jones            Dr Vittal Katikireddi            Professor Emma McIntosh            Dr Graham Moore            Professor Stephen Morris            Professor Christopher Owen            Professor Toby Prevost            Professor Sarah Salway            Professor Amanda Sowden            Professor Robert West            Professor Lucy Yardley</p>	<p>PHR Programme Director            Research Funding Board (RFB) Chair</p> <p>Public Contributor</p> <p>RFB Deputy Chair</p>
<b>Apologies</b>	<p>Professor Linda Bauld (15<sup>th</sup>)            Professor Chris Bonell            Professor Rona Campbell (Sabbatical)            Dr Charlotte Clark            Mr Ian Copley            Professor David French            Professor Matthew Hickman            Professor Martin White (15<sup>th</sup>)</p>	
<b>Secretariat</b>	<p>Dr Cristina Barroso, Research Manager (15<sup>th</sup>)            Dr Andrew Cook, Consultant Advisor, PHR            Mrs Rebecca Croucher, Research Manager (14<sup>th</sup>)            Mrs Gemma House, Senior Research Manager, PHR            Mrs Louise Higgs, Research Manager, PHR (14<sup>th</sup>)            Miss Katherine Paes, Assistant Research Manager, PHR (15<sup>th</sup>)            Ms Pamela Young, Head of PHR</p>	
<b>Observers</b>	<p>Day 1 –            Dr Lorna Aucott, prospective RFB member            Dr Suzanne Audrey, prospective RFB member            Dr Bernadette Egan, RDS South East            Dr Gemma Morgan, prospective RFB member            Mr Adam Lockwood, Research Manager, NETSCC            Dr Helen Walters, Consultant Advisor, NETSCC            Day 2 -            Ms Lisa McDaid, RDS East of England            Dr Rachel Walker, MRC</p>	

BOARD COMMENTS	
DAY 1	
Commissioned Full proposals	
	<b>15/192/13 (Hansell) Reduced noise Impacts on Short-Term Aircraft Noise and Cardiovascular Outcomes</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>none</i>
Decision: Fund with changes	
	<b>16/07/07 (Rodgers) Altering green-blue space exposure and impact on individual-level wellbeing and mental health: a population-wide record-linked cohort</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Adam Fletcher, Russ Jago, Graham Moore, Gemma Morgan and Suzanne Audrey</i>
Decision: Fund with changes	
	<b>16/07/28 (Irvine) Walking in Nature (WIN): Evaluating the effectiveness of Outdoor Health Walks on mental health – A natural experiment</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Lorna Aucott</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/07/29 (McEachan) A walk in the park: a factorial trial to evaluate the impact of community co-designed changes to urban green spaces, and behaviour change interventions to increase use of green spaces, on mental wellbeing amongst multi-ethnic, deprived women</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Peymane Adab, Amanda Sowden, Robert West</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/08/11 (O'Mahen) CoHESION: ReduCing Social IsOlatioN and dEpression in motHers of young children</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>none</i>
Decision: Reject	

	<b>16/08/14 (Wigfield) Assessing unwanted social isolation and loneliness, and health and well-being among care home residents with dementia: an evaluation of HenPower, a relationship centred care intervention, based on hen keeping</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Sarah Salway</i>
Decision: Fund with changes - Prioritisation Group subsequently declined the proposal	
	<b>16/08/41 (Rogers) The Project About Loneliness and Social networks (PALS) study</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts;</b> <i>Lucy Yardley, Russ Jago, Suzanne Audrey and Gemma Morgan.</i>
Decision: Re-submit October 2017	
	<b>16/08/44 (Salway) Reducing loneliness and unwanted social isolation among migrant and minority ethnic people: systematic, participatory review of programme theories, system processes and outcomes</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Sarah Salway, Martin White</i> <i>Left meeting: Felix Greaves</i>
Decision: Fund	
	<b>16/09/13 (Popay) What are the health and health inequalities impacts of the Big Local community empowerment initiative in England?</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Sarah Salway, Vittal Katikireddi, Amanda Sowden, Martin White</i>
Decision: Fund	
<b>Researcher-led full proposals</b>	
	<b>16/37/15 (Robertson) A Feasibility Study to Evaluate the Workplace Wellbeing Award Charter</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> <i>Frank Kee</i> <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>none</i> <i>Left meeting: Felix Greaves</i>
Decision: Reject	

	<b>16/37/16 (Simpson) An exploratory study to test Mellow Eating and Lifestyle (MEaLs), an attachment -based parenting intervention to improve health outcomes in preschool children and their parents within early years settings</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Emma McIntosh, Linda Bauld, Kate Hunt, Russ Jago, Vittal Katikireddi, Graham Moore</i> <i>Left meeting: Felix Greaves</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/37/33 (White J) A network meta-analysis and qualitative synthesis of complex interventions to prevent obesity in children and young people: evaluation of effective components, implementation and economic modelling</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Adam Fletcher, Russ Jago, Graham Moore, Suzanne Audrey</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/130/01 (White M) Evaluation of the health impacts of the UK Treasury Soft Drinks Industry Levy (SDIL)</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Martin White, Felix Greaves, Andy Jones, Amanda Sowden</i>
Decision: Fund with changes	
<b>Researcher-Led Outline proposals (16/105)</b>	
	<b>16/105/14 (MacGregor) An independent evaluation of the UK's sugar reduction programme</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Martin White</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/105/23 (Pretty) Evaluation of the sugar-tax on the caries experience of a longitudinal cohort of five year old children</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Martin White</i>
Decision: Reject	

	<b>16/105/01 (Lakshman) Age 5-6 years follow up of the Baby Milk Trial: RCT of an intervention to reduce formula-milk intake and prevent obesity</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Andy Jones, Martin White</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/105/19 (Dorjee) A feasibility study of primary school mindfulness intervention and its evaluations with focus on pupil mental health and experience of transition to secondary school</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Adam Fletcher, Graham Moore, Russ Jago, Suzanne Audrey</i> <i>Left meeting: Martin White</i>
Decision: Reject	
<b>DAY 2</b>	
<b>Researcher-Led Outline proposals (16/105)</b>	
	<b>16/105/21 (Bray) Long-term health and wellbeing impact of a population-level urban green space intervention: A natural experiment</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Russ Jago, Frank Kee</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/105/26 (Brennan) Integrated evidence synthesis for joint appraisal of tobacco and alcohol tax interventions for harm reduction in the UK</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Sarah Salway</i>
Decision: Invite for Full Application	
<b>Commissioned outline proposals – 15/189</b>	
	<b>15/189/22 (Robling) Feasibility study of A VOIUnteeR-led home visiting support service for families with young children to promote resilience: The FAVOURITE Study</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Adam Fletcher, Graham Moore</i>
Decision: Reject	

	<b>15/189/32 (Cortina) Play on Prescription: A feasibility study of a play intervention to prevent and address behavioural problems in children</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Stephen Morris</i>
Decision: Reject	
<b>Commissioned outline proposals – 16/39</b>	
	<b>16/39/09 (Finnegan) Fit To Tackle. The biopsychosocial implications of connecting mid-life participants to a structured weight management and lifestyle programme embedded within Warrington Wolves Rugby League Club</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/39/12 (Sturt) SuPporting And ReKindLing midlife women to increase physical Exercise (SPARKLE study)</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
<b>Commissioned outline proposals – 16/40</b>	
	<b>16/40/06 (Aldred) Can cycling infrastructure and other aspects of the route environment reduce the risk and public health impact of cycling injury? A case-crossover study of injured cyclists in three English urban areas, with twelve-month quantitative and qualitative follow-up.</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i> <i>Arrived meeting: Rachel Walker</i>
Decision: Reject	

Commissioned outline proposals – 16/41

	<b>16/41/02 (Mantzari) Impact of sit-stand desks at work on energy expenditure and sitting time: a mixed methods study</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Andy Jones</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/41/03 (Haycraft) Feasibility cluster randomised controlled trial to assess the Kids FIRST intervention to reduce sedentary screen use behaviour among 9–11 year olds</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Russ Jago</i> <i>Left meeting: Felix Greaves, Sarah Salway (phone call)</i>
Decision: Invite for Full Application	
	<b>16/41/04 (Edwardson) A three arm cluster randomised controlled trial to test the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of the SMaRT Work &amp; Life intervention for reducing daily sitting time in office workers</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Amanda Sowden</i>
Decision: Invite for Full Application	
	<b>16/41/05 (Gardner) Cluster randomized controlled trial of a theory-based worksite sedentary behaviour reduction intervention suitable for widescale adoption: The REducing Slitting Time Study (ReSiT Study)</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/41/06 (Van Sluijs) A behavioural and economic evaluation of introducing active lessons in secondary schools: the Creating Active School Environments (CASE) project</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Andy Jones</i>
Decision: Reject	

	<b>16/41/12 (Sutton) Evaluation of a very brief workplace intervention for reducing sedentary behaviour</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Kate Hunt <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Andy Jones, Toby Prevoost</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/41/14 (Klonizakis) A cultural adaptation and feasibility study of a sedentary behaviour-reduction intervention, combining physical activity, healthy eating and behavioural change support for an ethnically- diverse group (CRISE)</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/41/20 (Skelton) Feasibility of adaptation, recruitment, effectiveness and implementation of a study comparing a theoretically driven sedentary behaviour (SB) intervention with a co-created SB intervention for older adults, with a particular focus on involving ethnic minority elders</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>Peymane Adab, Russ Jago</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/41/27 (Vollaard) The effectiveness of a time-efficient workplace-based interval training intervention; a randomised controlled trial</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
<b>Commissioned outline proposals – 16/50</b>	
	<b>16/50/01 (Araujo-Soares) Adaptation of a scalable, technology-assisted, sun exposure intervention for outdoor workers (3 S's- Stay Sun Safe ) and feasibility testing, pilot cluster RCT with process and economic evaluations</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	



	<b>16/50/06 (Cowie) Evaluation of an intervention in primary schools aiming to educate children on the importance of sun safety to reduce future risks of skin cancer</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Reject	
	<b>16/50/08 (Hubbard) Evaluation of the clinical- and cost-effectiveness of a brief school-based intervention to reduce sunburn in adolescence: A cluster randomized controlled trial</b>
	<b>Chair:</b> Frank Kee <b>Conflicts:</b> <i>None</i>
Decision: Invite for Full Application	

## SUMMARY

- 2 FULL proposals were recommended for funding
- 4 FULL proposals were recommended for funding subject to certain conditions, one of these was subsequently rejected at the PHR Prioritisation Group on 21/02/2017
- 1 FULL proposal was invited to re-submit
- 4 OUTLINE proposals were discussed and shortlisted