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Subject: Annual Report Feedback

Dear Steven,

Please find below the High Level Group panel comments on the new style annual report for the NRF. As ever this is simply a guide as to how this is seen by peers outside of the NRF and intended to help in future planning and applications. The Scoring range was 0-10 with the actual scores awarded ranging from 6-9.

Best Wishes,
Simon

Solid State NMR

The SSNMR facility is clearly providing a real service that can't be done locally. The excellence of science is good with breadth which was noted, but maybe could have had more that jumped off the page, as there clearly will be examples.

There is a nicely presented publication list. However 15 papers seemed low, again quality is high, but not coming across as quite top level, which again could be perception. The linkages across NMR were excellent. The Industrial users engagement was ok, not huge, but 2K from industry could be a lot more. The panel recommends some further plans need to be in place here.

The cost recovery hard to read for the panel. There are convincing plans to attract new users. The facility is oversubscribed which was good in helping maintain quality and assuring the need of the facility. The risk register was fine and management have done well in mitigating COVID. The panel was really pleased to see a lot of good things in support and training.