DoR Update for CeASR newsletter September 2019

In June just before the summer break, I presented my vision for Social Policy in 2029:

1. All staff are motivated to do research, and allocated appropriate time, training and resources to do it.
2. All teaching and curriculum development is informed by the research of our staff.
3. We have three strong research clusters aligned to REF: Politics and International Studies; Social Work and Social Policy (which cuts across two schools); and Sociology. All research submitted to the next REF is internationally excellent.
4. Our staff include world-class scholars who are leading their subject fields.
5. Our staff include people who are leading theory and developing new ways of thinking in their subject fields.
6. Our staff include people who are editors of high-quality journals and leaders of learned societies.
7. Our staff include researchers making an impact beyond academic networks locally, nationally and internationally.
8. The three clusters all bring in external funding for research.
9. There are Professors in each cluster.
10. There are PhDs and other PGR students across the three clusters and two schools.
11. Our staff include people who do interdisciplinary research with colleagues across the University and beyond.
12. Our staff collectively use the full range of methods, and include people who are leading methodological innovations in their subject fields.
13. Our staff do ethical research, and make a positive difference to the world.
14. Our staff include people who are members of influential public bodies and voluntary organisations.

This is all good stuff! The next step is to turn the vision into reality by using our resources effectively and strategically, and to keep working closely and collaboratively through CeASR and in the two Schools.

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