

Public and Community Oversight Group – Membership

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Membership of the PCOG is by invitation. Membership is open to those who are both directly or indirectly affected by, or interested in, our research areas. Members will include public and community representatives (both with and without previous experience of PCIEP) to make sure that the group benefits from varied skills, expertise and experience.

The PCOG will meet approximately three times a year for two hours. Longer or more frequent meetings may be agreed to discuss certain actions and priorities. Although the priority of the PCOG is public and community involvement (PCI), the group may also be invited to take part in public engagement (PE) activities, and participation in research where relevant.

Membership of this group is voluntary but requires members to be committed to attending meetings and respond to emails/correspondence. The initial term of membership is for a two and-a-half-year period, subject to review. When members are unable to attend meetings, contributions to the areas to be discussed are expected via e-mail or post. New members may be recruited to the group if there are gaps in experience/knowledge/capacity of group members.