The impact of RSB’s science policy
work June 2018 - May 2021

Exchanging knowledge

- Meetings hosted by RSB between RSB members, researchers, professional associations, research funders, policy makers and advisors, the business community, higher education professionals and wider communities: 180

- Events hosted including Policy Lates, Links Day and Voice of the Future: 26

- External meetings attended and eight new stakeholder groups joined: 91

- Rounds of our Plant Health Undergraduate Studentships program: 3

- Three-month long UKRI policy internships hosted by the RSB: 6

- Of those responding to a survey said they considered the RSB to be a valuable provider of knowledge exchange opportunities: 94%

Engaging people

- Editions of our Science Policy Newsletter, with 1,614 subscribers: 144

- Subscribers signed up to receive weekly updates as of June 2021: 23,493

- Editions of our COVID-19 bulletin, with 28,025 subscribers: 19

- Research Communications Newsletters with 2,669 subscribers: 31

- "The RSB should use its respected position in society to favourably influence the type of serious information which is being made known to the public. Please keep up the good work." COVID-19 Bulletin subscriber

Positively influencing

- Consultation responses submitted on topics such as climate change, animal welfare, plant biosecurity and more: 24

- Briefings produced and shared on topics such as equality, diversity and inclusion, Brexit, and drug discovery: 20

- #Biosciences for all outputs focused on fostering equality, diversity and inclusion in the biosciences: 102

- Policy resources from RSB and 25+ of our Member Organisations, made available through building our Policy Resource Library: rsb.org.uk/policylib

- "With the COVID pandemic and the Black Lives Matter movement, I was better able to communicate to my institution how other RSB Member Organisations were responding and adapting and the areas where we needed to be more inclusive." Diversity and Inclusion Working Group Member

To find out more about our work, our impact and how to get involved:
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