REF2021 Code of Practice: Liverpool Hope University – Consultation

Feedback and comments are invited on LHU’s draft Code of Practice (CoP) document as part of this consultation exercise which will open on Monday 29th April 2019 and close on Friday 17th May 2019. Please submit your contributions before the cut-off date of 12 noon on 17th May 2019. After this deadline the CoP will be finalised for submission to the Research England/REF (their final submission deadline of 12 noon on 7th June 2019.) The CoP has 5 Parts under heading as required by Research England/REF.

1. Do you have suggestions for enhancing Part 1 of the Code of Practice (CoP) document? This part sets the scene and provides contextual background regarding this CoP and the University’s approach to the CoP.
2. Do you have any views on our definition for determining Significant Responsibility for Research (SRR) and Independency as Researcher (IR) in Part 2? Please provide details. Do you agree with the Appeals process or how can it be enhanced? Your feedback on the timeline and related details will also be useful.
3. Part 3 deals with IR which is also covered in Part 2. Further comments are invited on this part.
4. Part 4 describes the University’s approach to making decision on selecting Research Outputs from a pool of eligible outputs to ensure that the University’s REF 2021 scores are maximised. This is largely an academic judgement and decision and will involve input from senior researchers. REF 2021 decouples outputs from individuals. Do you have any comments on our approach to this part of the CoP?
5. Part 5 is Appendices. Are there area of improvement here so that these supplementary materials will enhance the completeness of this CoP?