



Welcome to the May 2018 update for the [Longitudinal Studies Review](#).

**We are pleased to announce that the Review Report is now available on the ESRC website!**

## Current Timetable

### October 2017

The Panel completed the first draft of the report and met face-to-face in London at the end of October to discuss their draft recommendations and revisions to the report.



### November 2017

The Panel Chair, Professor Pam Davis-Kean, met with the Steering Group in late November to discuss the near final report.



### December 2017

The Final report was completed by the Panel and submitted to ESRC.



### Spring 2018

Final production of the report and annexes. Consideration of the report and next steps by the ESRC Council. Review report and next steps.



### 8 May 2018

Publication of the report.



### May 2018 onwards

ESRC takes forwards implementation of the recommendations.



## The Review Report is published

**We are delighted to announce that the Longitudinal Studies Strategic Review Report is now public.**

The Review represents the first major independent assessment of the ESRC's longitudinal research resources in more than a decade.

To obtain a copy of the Report, visit [ESRC's website](#).

## ESRC's Response

**ESRC has published its response to the Review Panel's report which is also available on the ESRC website.**

The response restates ESRC's commitment to ensuring that the UK's portfolio of longitudinal studies remains world leading. It welcomes the Review Panel's identification of opportunities to take ambitious steps forward, to benefit a wide range of researchers and research users.

## Thank you

**The Report's publication makes it timely to say thank you.**

Foremost thanks go to Professor Pam Davis-Kean and the rest of the Review Panel, who worked extremely hard to produce a thorough and thoughtful Review.

Staff from the Centre for Longitudinal Studies, CLOSER, the UK Data Service and Understanding Society, and many others, provided vital information to the Panel, for which we are very grateful.

The 637 respondents to the Review consultation in autumn 2016 deserve thanks too, as do those who responded to our request in the last newsletter for Impact Case Studies.

**To all who contributed, thank you.**

## Next steps

With the review complete, ESRC is now considering how to take forward the report's recommendations.

**There is much work to be done, and a continuing need for the advice and support of the longitudinal studies research community.**