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**Subject:** RAS Council statement - particle physics view

Dear Keith, Peter and Peter.

The Particle Physics Action Group, set up on November 23rd in response to the STFC funding crisis, fully supports the comments of the RAS Council on the many failures of the STFC since its formation less than a year ago. We believe that the Council of STFC should now act urgently to address these issues, and to engage with both DIUS and the affected communities. A positive response from STFC is required to restore confidence in the processes involved in the public funding of fundamental science in the UK and to begin to repair the damage that has undoubtedly been done to our international reputation.

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