

MINUTES

Meeting: Commission Meeting

Date: 26 July 2023

Time: 13:00pm

Place: Aire Room, One Embankment, Leeds, and Microsoft Teams Meeting

Attendees

Commission Members:

Sir John Armitt	(Chair)
Professor Sir Tim Besley	(Commissioner)
Professor Jim Hall	(Commissioner)
Sadie Morgan OBE	(Commissioner)
Nick Winser CBE	(Commissioner)
Julia Prescott	(Commissioner)
Andy Green	(Commissioner)

Secretariat:

James Heath	(Chief Executive)
James Richardson	(Chief Economist)
Margaret Read	(Director of Policy)
Jen Coe	(Director of Policy)
	(Head of Communications)
	(Head of Governance)
	(Head of Economics and Modelling)
	(Assistant Director)
	(Senior Policy Adviser)
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	(Senior Policy Adviser)

1. Apologies and Welcome

1.1 Apologies were received from Kate Willard and Neale Coleman.

2 Minutes and matters arising

2.1 The minutes were approved.

3 Declarations of Interest

3.1 There were no declarations of interest.

4 Chair's update

4.1 The Chair updated on his activities since the last meeting including meeting Gareth Davies, the Exchequer Secretary, and Beth Russell, the Second Permanent Secretary to the Treasury.

5 Chief Executive's update

5.1 The Chair invited the Chief Executive (JH) to update on key developments since the last meeting.

6 Digital recommendations

6.1 The Chair invited AIS and GS to present the proposed recommendations on the digital project.

6.2 JH noted that the team consulted widely and will continue to consult with the digital sector.

Decision: The Commission agreed the conclusions and recommendations of the digital project.

7 Waste and the circular economy: final recommendations

7.1 The Chair welcomed ZS and EB to present the paper on the final recommendations for waste and the circular economy. Commissioners provided feedback on the recommendations.

Decision: The Commission agreed the final recommendations subject to amendments and delegated sign off to the Chair and lead Commissioners.

8 Summary of NIA2 recommendations and costs

Recommendations

8.1 The Chair invited JH to present a summary of the individual recommendations that the Commission have approved for NIA2.

8.2 Commissioners provided feedback and agreed the package of recommendations.

Costs

8.3 The Chair invited CD to present the paper on the costs of NIA2 recommendations. Commissioners provided feedback on the paper.

9 Natural Capital

9.1 The Chair invited EB to present the paper on the natural capital analysis, covering all sectors and their impact on water quality, air quality and biodiversity.

9.2 Commissioners provided feedback on the paper.

10 AOB

10.1 Commissioners asked for a paper at a future meeting on the distributional analysis of NIA2 recommendations.

Action: Add an agenda item on distributional analysis of NIA2 recommendations.