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Meeting: Commission Meeting

Date: 24 May 2023

Time: 13:00pm

Place: Finlaison House and video conference

Attendees

Commission Members:

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

Secretariat:

James Heath	(Chief Executive)	
James Richardson	(Chief Economist)	
Hannah Brown	(Director of Policy)	
Jen Coe	(Director of Policy)	
	(Chief Operating Officer)	
	(Head of Communications)	
	(Senior Policy Adviser)	(Items 6 & 7)
	(Assistant Director)	(Items 6 & 7)
	(Assistant Director)	(Item 9 & 10)
	(Senior Policy Adviser)	(Item 9 & 10)
	(Senior Policy Adviser)	(Item 9 & 10)
	(Head of Economic Analysis)	(Item 11)
	(Head of Governance)	Secretariat

1. Apologies and Welcome

1.1 No apologies were received.

2 Minutes and matters arising

2.1 No comments were made on the minutes of the last meeting.

3 Declarations of Interest

3.1 No new interests were declared.

4 Chair's update

4.1 The Chair updated on his activities since the last meeting including meeting with the new Chair of the Treasury Select Committee and attending Energy Efficiency Taskforce meetings.

4.2 KW attended the UK Real Estate Investment and Infrastructure Forum (UKREiIF) conference held in Leeds in May.

5 CEO's update

5.1 The Chair invited the Chief Executive (JH) to update on key developments since the last meeting. JH highlighted the engagement meetings with stakeholders following the publication of the Infrastructure Progress Review 2023 and planning study.

6 Energy – public policy case for hydrogen heating

6.1 The Chair invited TH to introduce the paper on the public policy case for hydrogen heating, as part of the NIA2 work programme.

6.2 The Commission agreed with the overall approach and provided feedback and steers on the paper.

7 Energy – heat decarbonisation

7.1 The Chair invited CJ to provide an overview of the policy packages to deliver heat decarbonisation, as part of the NIA2 work programme.

7.2 The Commission agreed with the overall approach and provided feedback and steers on the paper.

8 BREAK

9 Urban Transport – final conclusions and recommendations

9.1 The Chair invited SD to introduce the final recommendations on urban transport for NIA2. SD asked Commissioners to provide sign off for the conclusions and recommendations of the urban transport project and provide a steer on the outstanding issues.

9.2 The Commission agreed with the overall approach, provided feedback and steers on the recommendations and conclusions, and delegated approval to the lead Commissioners and Chair.

10 Approach to transport investment: strategic prioritisation framework

10.1 The Chair invited CW to introduce the paper setting out the proposed investment prioritisation framework based on the policy work in the urban and interurban transport projects for NIA2.

10.2 The Commission provided feedback and agreed the overall strategic prioritisation framework subject to amendments.

11 NIA2 fiscal and economic remits

11.1 The Chair invited CD to present NIA2 draft policy packages and implications for the fiscal and economic remits.

11.2 The Commission provided feedback on the paper.

12 AOB

12.1 No items of AOB were raised.