

MINUTES

Meeting: Commission Meeting

Date: 28 June 2023

Time: 13:00pm

Place: 9th Floor Windsor House, 50 Victoria St, London, SW1H 0TL and Microsoft Teams Meeting

Attendees

Commission Members:

Sir John Armitt	(Chair)
Professor Sir Tim Besley	(Commissioner)
Neale Coleman CBE	(Commissioner)
Professor Jim Hall	(Commissioner)
Sadie Morgan OBE	(Commissioner)
Nick Winser CBE	(Commissioner)

Secretariat:

James Heath	(Chief Executive)
James Richardson	(Chief Economist)
Margaret Read	(Director of Policy)
Jen Coe	(Director of Policy)
Hannah Brown	(Director of Policy)
Mark Ardron	(Chief Operating Officer)
	(Head of Communications)
	(Head of Governance)
	(Senior Policy Advisor) (Item 6)
	(Policy Advisor) (Item 6)
	(Senior Policy Advisor) (Item 9)
	(Senior Economist) (Item 9)
	(Policy Advisor) (Item 9)

External Guests

Gareth Davies	Exchequer Secretary (XST) Head of Infrastructure Strategy (HMT)
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1. Apologies and Welcome

1.1 Apologies were received from Andy Green and Kate Willard OBE.

2 Minutes and matters arising

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

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 with the Infrastructure Projects Authority and speaking at the Greater London Assembly and at The Infrastructure Forum.

5 Chief Executive's update

5.1 The Chair invited the Chief Executive (JH) to update on key developments since the last meeting. JH highlighted a meeting with Andy Burnham, the Mayor of Greater Manchester to discuss NIA2.

6 Waste and the circulate economy

6.1 The Chair invited ZS and JP to present the paper on waste and the circular economy. The paper sets out a detailed summary of the central policy problems that must be addressed in order to get the waste sector to net zero by 2050 and increase recycling rates. Commissioners provided feedback on the paper.

7 External Guest – Gareth Davies – Exchequer Secretary (XST)

7.1 The Chair welcomed Gareth Davies (XST) and BL to the meeting.

7.2 The Chair and the Commission introduced themselves and provided an overview of the themes in the second Infrastructure Assessment (NIA2).

7.3 NW provided an overview of NIC's work on energy and net zero.

7.4 JH provided an overview of the NIC's work on climate resilience including flooding and droughts.

7.5 NC provided an overview of the NIC's work on key projects on urban and inter-urban transport.

7.6 Following discussion, the Chair thanked XST for joining the meeting.

8 Heat decarbonisation

8.1 The Chair welcomed TH to the meeting to discuss the policy case for using hydrogen to heat buildings. Commissioners agreed the recommendations.

The Commission agreed the recommendation.

9 AOB

9.1 No AOB was raised.