

Adaptation Committee Meeting Minutes

Friday 22nd May 2020, 9:30 – 15:15 | Virtual meeting

Present: Baroness Brown (Chair), Ece Ozdemiroglu, Rosalyn Schofield, Mike Davies, Georgina Mace, Richard Dawson.

Secretariat present: Kathryn Brown, Chris Stark, Mike Thompson, Gemma Holmes, Brendan Freeman, Andy Russell, David Style, Jo Barrett, Tom Dooks, Charles Odunuga, Jenny Hill, Richard Millar.

Other attendees: Richard Betts (University of Exeter/ Met Office).

Members' interests: Members' interests were reviewed. There were no changes made. Interests can be found on the CCC's website at: <https://www.theccc.org.uk/about/transparency/>.

1. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

The minutes of 24th April meeting were agreed without amendment.

2. Forward look on adaptation programme in 20/21

The secretariat presented plans for the future adaptation work programme, which was approved by the Committee. It was also noted that keeping plans up to date was essential, particularly in this period of uncertainty.

3. CCRA3 technical chapters – urgency scores, plans for summer work programme (Richard Betts, University of Exeter/ Met Office)

Richard Betts, the lead for the CCRA3 technical chapters, provided an update to the Committee on the status of the draft chapters, which had recently been sent out for a first external review. Amongst other feedback, the Committee wanted to ensure that chapters would be written in an accessible style and they provided ideas and contacts for additions to the chapters.

4. Natural environment update

The secretariat presented an update on recent progress on legislation, policies and actions related to the natural environment sector. The Committee provided feedback on the opportunities and strategies that would ensure appropriate input and influence over the developments in this sector.

5. Infrastructure update

The secretariat presented an update on recent progress on legislation, policies and actions related to the infrastructure sector. The Committee provided feedback on the opportunities and strategies that would ensure appropriate input and influence over the developments in this sector.

6. UKRI SPF resilience programme update

The secretariat presented an update on the waves, rounds and projects of relevance to the Committee from the UKRI Strategic Priorities Fund initiative. The Secretariat and Committee shared the ways in which they had been engaging with the SPF and how to best use the outcomes **in the Committee's work**

7. CCC International work update

The secretariat presented their developing plans relating to an expanded international portfolio. The Committee provided feedback to help shape these plans.

8. Draft letter on building safety reforms

The secretariat presented their progress in writing a letter regarding building safety reforms. The Committee provided feedback on the scope and focus of the letter and are looking forward to seeing the next draft.

9. Paper on welfare economics

EO presented a paper to the Committee based on welfare economics. The central thesis was that GDP is not the only important factor in economics and that different goals could better ensure positive outcomes for society. The Committee considered whether this approach could improve their work on adaptation goals and agreed to look out for opportunities to apply the ideas in CCC outputs.

10. AOB

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday 19th June 2020.