

### Adaptation Committee meeting

**Present:** Baroness Brown (Chair), Michael Davies, Swenja Surminski, Ben Caldecott

**Virtual:** Richard Betts, Richard Dawson, Nathalie Seddon

**Member interests:** [www.theccc.org.uk/about/transparency](http://www.theccc.org.uk/about/transparency)

**Date:** 13 October 2023, 10:30-15:00

**Held:** 2 Orchard Place, Broadway, SW1H 0BF

Climate Change Committee

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Westminster, London,  
SW1H 0ET

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1. Adaptation Committee: Intro to session, minutes of the previous meetings and conflicts of interest

The Committee approved the minutes of the previous meeting. Richard Betts reminded of his association with the Met Office and Exeter University. The Committee requested regular media and communications updates in future meetings.

2. NAP response: project proposal

The secretariat presented a proposal for a tightly scoped output for Spring 2024 to put the committee's position on the third national adaptation programme on the record. The Committee agreed that the secretariat will start working towards this output and will be updated at future committee meetings.

3. Scottish Progress Report: Scores and executive summary messages

The secretariat presented the updated scores and key messages for the executive summary. The Committee agreed that the 'credible' policy score does not mean perfect and further caveats to scoring could be provided in the text. They agreed with the main messages for the executive summary.

4. CCRA4: Project plan

The secretariat presented the end-to-end planning to deliver the fourth UK Climate Change Risk Assessment. The committee provided steers on some of the detail and agreed to keep the plan under review as needed at future sessions and the work programme is delivered.

5. CCRA4: Technical report tasks and commissioning

The secretariat presented the methodology for the CCRA4 Technical Report. The committee agreed with the overall approach including the need to make the report more accessible and refinements to the urgency scoring methodology. The committee provided suggestions on how the criteria to refine the urgency scoring could be improved.

6. CCRA4: Well-adapted report & deep-dive projects

The secretariat presented an overview of the longlist of projects that could be commissioned within the first phase of deep dive analyses for the CCRA4 Well Adapted UK report. The Committee agreed the longlist and highlighted that partnerships with other organisations such as the National Infrastructure Commission could add value to delivering the projects.

The secretariat also presented priority areas for the cross-cutting analysis programme for the CCRA4 Well Adapted UK report. The Committee agreed with the priority areas and suggested additional areas that could be considered.

#### 7. CCRA4: Economics stream

The secretariat presented the role economics will play in the CCRA4 well-adapted UK report and the spring output from the Economics Advisory Group. The Committee reflected on the importance of putting any quantitative analysis in a broader picture of potential impacts to mitigate the risk of undervaluation.

#### 8. AOB and close

No additional items were raised.