

# Minutes – Adaptation Committee

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Date: 14 March 2025  
Held: 1st Floor, 10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf  
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**Present:** Baroness Brown (Chair), Richard Betts, Ben Caldecott, Michael Davies, Richard Dawson, Chris Evans, Hayley Fowler, Marina Romanello, Nathalie Seddon, Swenja Surminski

**Apologies:** None

## 1. Minister Hardy discussion with Committee

Minister Hardy MP visited the Committee to speak around her intentions for adaptation policy in her ministerial role. The Committee and the minister discussed adaptation progress in the UK and elements that are needed to step-forward towards a more impactful approach.

## 2. Introduction, minutes of the previous meeting and conflicts of interest

The Committee approved the minutes of the previous meeting. James Richardson advised the Committee he has been appointed to the Expert Ofgem review panel.

## 3. UK Progress Report recommendations

The Committee reflected on the draft summary of the 2025 progress report and the proposed recommendations to Government. They provided steers for the secretariat to implement in a revised version.

## 4. Urban heat deep dive: Milestone 3

Deep dive project suppliers (Arup) presented to the Committee on their progress, showing some preliminary results and taking Committee steers on the selection of adaptation measures to take forward in the modelling. The suppliers and secretariat will action Committee feedback, including providing a background paper on the productivity modelling.

## 5. Committee discussion – 1.5

The Committee discussed the prospects of the world exceeding 1.5C above preindustrial levels and the implications for UK adaptation policy.

## 6. NICCAP3

The Committee provided comment on the secretariat's assessment of the draft Northern Ireland Climate Change Adaptation Programme (NICCAP). They agreed that the Secretariat will provide informal feedback to the Northern Ireland Executive based on their input.

## 7. AOB

No additional items were raised by the Committee.