

National Infrastructure Commission for Wales

10 March 2020
 Sophia Gardens, Cardiff

Note

<p>NICW</p> <p>John Lloyd Jones, Chair</p> <p>Tom Crick, Commissioner</p> <p>Stephen Gifford, Commissioner</p> <p>Helen Howells, Commissioner</p> <p>Rob Irvine, Commissioner</p> <p>Eluned Parrott, Commissioner</p> <p>Rod Smith, Commissioner</p> <p>Chris Sutton, Commissioner</p> <p>Emma Thomas, Commissioner</p> <p>Tom Wharf, Commissioner</p> <p>Ceri Doyle, Commissioner</p>	<p>Adrian Davies, Office of the NICW</p> <p>Leri George, Office of the NICW</p> <p>For agenda items 2 – 5:</p> <p>John Howells, Director Climate Change, Energy and Planning, Welsh Government</p> <p>Apologies</p> <p>Richard Feasey, Commissioner</p>
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1. Transport

Commissioners discussed transport paper and agreed on changes that need to be made to the paper.

Action

Paper to be re-drafted then sent to stakeholders. To be added: summary and more detail on vision and behaviour change: Adrian Davies and Rob Irvine

2. NICW budget and Chair position

The Chair informed commissioners that he had agreed to the Minister's request that he stay on as interim chair until November 2020. A proposal for NICW's budget for 2020-2021 is with ministers for approval.

The chair position will be re-advertised with more prominence given to the need for future infrastructure decisions to be more closely aligned with Wales' decarbonisation objectives.

3. Energy

Commissioners considered the energy paper and agreed some areas for re-drafting.

Action

Re-draft paper and circulate for further discussion: Adrian Davies

4. Placemaking

Commissioners agreed to sign up to the Placemaking charter.

Action

*Placemaking Wales Partnership to be informed of Commission's agreement.
Details of launch to be forwarded to commissioners: Ceri Doyle*

5. Water

The Chair and Adrian Davies reported back on the Multi Sector Horizon Scanning for Water event organised by Arup and a meeting with Rhodri Williams (CCW Chair). Commissioners discussed resilience of water infrastructure and water transfer and extraction. EU water directives and WG flood strategy both due soon and will have a bearing on discussion.

Action

Find out timings of Ofwat consultation on PR24: Adrian Davies

6. AOB

The next meeting will be on 21 April. WG colleagues from Planning Dept to attend and report back on the next version of the NDF. Possibility of meeting virtually discussed in the light of coronavirus.