



**The one hundred and forty-second meeting of the
Joint Nature Conservation Committee held on 5 and 6 March 2025
at Quay House, 2 East Station Road, Fletton Quays,
Peterborough, PE2 8YY**

Paper JNCC 25 13I: Joint Committee forward programme

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Joint Committee forward programme

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1. Proposal

- 1.1 This paper contains a forward programme for the Joint Committee to September 2025 in Annex 1. The forward programme is a key document that evolves through members' input as well as the Executive.
- 1.2 The tables in Annex 2 include a list of dates and locations for Joint Committee meetings for 2025 (table 1); dates for intersessional Joint Committee meetings 2025 (table 2) and Joint Committee sub-committee and sub-group meeting dates for 2025 (table 3). A line for CSG meetings has been added for when this becomes a sub-group of the Joint Committee. Dates for meetings will be added in the next iteration of this paper for the June meeting.
- 1.3 ARAC and People Committee meetings have been decoupled from Joint Committee meetings. Meetings of both committees will be in-person in June and will take place in Peterborough.
- 1.4 The next intersessional meeting of the Joint Committee will take place on Monday 19th May. Committee agreed in November that these should be informal and only include papers where absolutely necessary. The meetings will include an update on performance and business risks, particularly financial risks, outside of the formal quarterly performance report.
- 1.5 The next main meeting of the Joint Committee will take place on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th June. The location is to be agreed but is likely to be Edinburgh. As this will be the in-person country meeting of the year, the meeting may include a field trip and is likely to involve engagement with SNCB staff or other relevant stakeholders of JNCC in that locality. Committee agreed in November that stakeholder engagement would be a feature of in-person meetings and that these events should focus on ministerial and/or senior SNCB stakeholders.

Annex 1

Joint Committee forward programme

	18 & 19 June 2025 Edinburgh (TBC) (field trip)	10 September 2025 (Online) (May include a JNCC team presentation on a topical issue).
Strategic direction and review		
UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy	x	
JNCC positioning and planning to 2030	x	
Standing items		
Matters arising and actions update (incl Officers of the Board update)	x	x
Committee sub-group reports (now annually from each thematic sub-group)	x	x
Joint Committee forward programme	x	x
Report from the Chief Scientists Group	x	x
Strategic updates from around the UK	x	x
CEO report on topical issues	x	x
Performance and reporting		
Quarterly corporate performance reports		x

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End of year performance report	x	
Governance and risk management		
ARAC Annual report to the Joint Committee	x	
Chief Scientists Group terms of reference	x	
Joint Committee/Company Board standing orders	x	
Joint Committee working objectives 2025/26	x	
Risk appetite review		x
Business planning and funding		
Spending review phase 2 update	x	

Annex 2

Table 1

Joint Committee meeting dates and locations 2025	
Meeting date	Location
18/19th June 2025	Edinburgh (TBC)
10 September 2025	Online
3 December 2025	Online
March 2026 (Date tbc)	TBC
Dates for 2026 and 2027 to be agreed shortly	TBC

Table 2

Intersessional Joint Committee meetings 2025	
Meeting date	Location
19 th May 2025 14.00-15.30	Online
18 th August 14.00-15.30	Online
17 th November 2025 14.00-15.30	Online
Dates for 2026 and 2027 to be agreed shortly	

Table 3

Committee sub-committee and sub-group meeting dates 2025		
Sub-committee and sub-group	Date	Location
ARAC	3 June 2025	Peterborough
	3 September 2025	Online
	18 th November 2025	Online

People Committee	4 June 2025	Peterborough
	3 September 2025	Online
	18 November 2025	Online
Remuneration sub-committee	Dates for 2025 to be agreed	
International and Overseas Territories sub-group	15 th April 2025	Online
Marine sub-group	Dates for 2025 to be agreed	Online
Chief Scientists Group	Dates for 2025 to be agreed	TBC