



The one hundred and thirty-ninth meeting of the Joint Nature Conservation Committee to be held at 11.00 on Wednesday 19th June 2024 and 09.00 on Thursday 20th June 2024 to be held at Quay House, 2 East Station Road, Fletton Quays, Peterborough, PE2 8YY

This paper was provided to the Joint Committee for decision/discussion or information. Please refer to the minutes of the meeting for Committee's position on the paper.

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Joint Nature Conservation Committee

Joint Committee forward programme

Cover note by Tracey Quince

Executive Summary

1. Action required

- The Joint Committee is asked to:
 - i. **Discuss and agree** the forward programme contained in Annex 1 and suggest any additional items.
 - ii. **Discuss and agree** to suspend large-scale external engagement events linked to Committee meetings until the end of the calendar year and effective stakeholder engagement is reviewed, including how best to utilise board members (Annex 2, table 1).
 - iii. **Discuss and agree** moving the September 2024 meeting from London to Peterborough and reducing the December 2024 online meeting to one day.
 - iv. **Note** the dates and amended locations of Committee meetings for 2024-2025 in Annex 2 (table 2).
 - v. **Note** the importance of Joint Committee meetings to be quorate. Quoracy is one member from each of the statutory nature conservation bodies and two independent members, including the Chair. All in person meetings will have a hybrid option for those unable to attend in person.

2. Key issues

- This paper contains a forward programme for the Joint Committee to March 2025 in Annex 1. The forward programme should be seen as a key document that evolves through members' input as well as the Executive.
- The tables in Annex 2 include a list of meeting dates and locations for Joint Committee meetings for 2024-25 (table 2); dates for intersessional Joint

Committee meetings 2024-25 (table 3); Joint Committee sub-group meeting dates for 2024 (table 4) and planned JNCC events in 2024 (table 5).

- The next meeting of the Joint Committee is proposed to take place on 11th and 12th September in Peterborough.

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Lead Director: Lynn Heeley

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Annex 1

Joint Committee forward programme

	11/12 September 2024 Peterborough	4/5 December 2024 Online	5/6 March 2025 England (location tbc)
Strategic direction and review			
JNCC stakeholder relationship strategy	x		
UK Overseas Territories Biodiversity Strategy	x		
Outcomes of CBD COP16		x	
Update on UK Biodiversity Indicators		x	
Biodiversity Pathways: progress and next steps		x	
Progress with the UK Air Pollution Assessment Service		x	
Update on JNCC's land use prioritisation work			x
Progress on linking decisions on domestic			x

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production to broader global impacts			
QQR - risks and considerations		X	
Standing items			
Matters arising and actions update	X	X	X
Committee sub-group reports.	X	X	X
Joint Committee forward programme	X	X	X
Report from the Chief Scientists Group	X	X	X
Strategic updates from around the UK	X	X	X
CEO report on topical issues	X	X	X
Performance and reporting			
Quarterly corporate performance reports	X	X	X
Governance and risk management			

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Joint Committee working objectives			x
Joint Committee effectiveness action plan	x		
Risk management in JNCC			x
Revised schedule of delegations	x		
Business planning and funding			
Business Planning 2025/26		x	x
Spending review	x		

Annex 2

Table 1

ENGAGEMENT EVENTS 2024 - 2025

Date of engagement event	Type of engagement
11 th September 2024	In- person event in Peterborough– meet and greet with staff with presentations on key work areas.

Table 2

Joint Committee meeting dates and locations 2024-2025	
Meeting date	Location
11/12 th September 2024	Peterborough
4/5 th December 2024	Online (possibly reduced to one day)
5/6 th March 2025	England (Location to be agreed)
18/19th June 2025	TBC
10/11 th September 2025	Scotland (Location to be agreed)
3/4 th December 2025	TBC

Table 3

Intersessional Joint Committee meetings 2024-2025	
Meeting date	Location
14 th August 2024 14.00-15.30	Virtual
13 th November 2024 15.15-16.45	Virtual
17 th February 2025 14.00-15.30	Virtual
19 th May 2025 14.00-15.30	Virtual
18 th August 14.00-15.30	Virtual
17 th November 2025 14.00-15.30	Virtual

Table 4

Committee sub-group meeting dates 2024		
Sub-group	Date	Location
ARAC	September 2024 (date to be agreed)	Virtual
	2 December 2024	Peterborough
People Committee	September 2024 (date to be agreed)	Virtual
	2 December 2024	Peterborough
Remuneration sub-committee	18 June 2024	Peterborough

International and Overseas Territories sub-group	7 th August	Virtual
	23 rd October	Virtual
Marine sub-group	No meetings scheduled at present	Virtual
UK coordination sub-group	17 th July 2024	Virtual
	16 th October 2024	Virtual

Table 5

JNCC events 2024		
Event	Date	Location
In-person JNCC staff conference	25 September 2024	Manchester
Overseas Territories event	2024 (date tbc)	TBC