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Joint Nature Conservation Committee

Joint Committee Forward Programme

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Executive Summary

1. Action required

1.1 The Joint Committee is asked to:

- i. discuss the forward programme contained in Annex 1 (table 1) and suggest any additional items;
- ii. note the dates of intersessional meetings for 2022 in Annex 1 (table 2);
- iii. discuss and add any intersessional items for consideration at intersessional meetings in 2022 in Annex 1 (table 3);
- iv. note the list of engagement event themes in Annex 2 (table 1) and the dates and locations of Committee meetings for 2022-24 in Annex 2 (table 2).

2. Key issues

2.1 This paper contains a forward programme for the Joint Committee to March 2023 in Annex 1 (table 1); a list of dates for intersessional meetings in 2022 in Annex 1 (table 2); and intersessional items for consideration in Annex 1 (table 3). The forward programme should be seen as a key document that evolves through members' input.

2.2 Annex 2 includes a list of engagement event themes for 2022/23 in table 1 and a list of locations for Committee meetings for 2022-24 in table 2. Members are asked to note the dates of future meetings in their calendars.

2.3 The next meeting of the Joint Committee will take place on 14th and 15th September in Peterborough.

Annex 1

Table 1

Joint Committee Forward Programme

	September 2022 Peterborough	November 2022 London	March 2023 Virtual
Strategic direction and review			
Financing Nature Based Solutions	x		
Communications in JNCC	x		
JNCC 2030 – Strategy Refresh	x		
Update on air pollution work in JNCC	x		
Developing the UK Biodiversity Framework	x		
Review of SSSI Guidelines: position and process	x		
Standing items			
Chief Executive’s report on topical issues	x	x	x
Report from the MPA sub-group	x	x	x
Report from the Financial Resilience Sub-Group	x		

	September 2022 Peterborough	November 2022 London	March 2023 Virtual
Report from the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (oral)	x	x	x
Joint Committee forward programme	x	x	x
Report from the Chief Scientists Group	x	x	x
Update on external factors affecting JNCC	x	x	x
Performance and reporting			
Quarterly corporate performance reports	x	x	x
Governance and risk management			
Committee effectiveness review - report on findings and progress report on working objectives	x		
Business planning and funding			
Fiscal strategy for JNCC	x		
Corporate plan for 2023/24		x	x

Annex 1

Table 2

INTERSESSIONAL MEETINGS 2022

Intersessional meetings	
Date	Time
Monday 25 th July	3-4pm
Monday 17 th October	3-4pm

Table 3

INTERSESSIONAL ITEMS

Intersessional Items	25 th July 2022	17 th October 2022	Additional information
Committee agendas	x	x	
Updates from around the UK	x	x	
Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO) meeting with the Overseas Territories (OTs) in attendance		x	FCDO meeting in November with the Overseas Territories – JNCC to consider attendance/input.

Annex 2

Table 1

ENGAGEMENT EVENTS 2022/23

Date of engagement event	Type of engagement	Theme
Wednesday 14 th September 2022	In-person event in Peterborough	Offshore wind
Wednesday 23 rd November 2022	In-person event in London.	Implementation of new CBD targets (keynote speech by Minister Pow)
Wednesday 8 th March 2023	Virtual	Opportunities for streamlining reporting requirements across international conventions

Table 2

Meeting locations 2022-2024	
Meeting date	Location
13/14 September 2022	Peterborough
23/24 November 2022	London
8/9 th March 2023	Virtual
7/8 th June 2023	Belfast
13 th /14 th September 2023	Aberdeen
22/23 rd November 2023	Virtual
March 2024	Virtual
June 2024	Wales
September 2024	Peterborough
December 2024	Virtual