

# Minutes – Second Oversight Group Meeting

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Date: 22 July 2025, 11-12.30pm  
Held: online

## Present:

Kathryn Brown (Wildlife Trusts), Dr. Christina Demski (University of Bath), Dr. Kirstie Hewlett (Kings College London), Kay White (ClimateXChange Scotland), Alex Holder (Ofgem), Matt Hateley (Ofwat), Sara Zuin (Chartered Institute of Highways and Transportation), Steve Boyd (DAERA), Claire Chappell (Wales Government), Emily Fobel (Defra), Catriona Laing (Scottish Government), Esther Gordon-Smith (National Highways)

Representatives from Ipsos, Sciencewise and CCC secretariat.

## Apologies:

Prof. Lisa Vanhala (UCL), Kate Kipling (Environment Agency), Rob Wall (British Property Foundation), Lisa Constable (Network Rail), Alison Smith (University of Oxford), Nick Porter (Local Government Association)

### 1. Introductions and agenda review

The Chair opened the meeting, and the agenda was agreed with no additional items added.

### 2. Status update

The CCC provided a summary of how key points raised in the last Oversight Group meeting had been actioned.

### 3. How the findings from the citizens' panel will inform our work

The CCC gave a summary of how the findings from the citizens' panel will inform the CCC's Well-Adapted UK Report and advice to government. Oversight Group members highlighted the importance of presenting this during the first workshop to participants.

#### 4. Overview of the first two learning sessions

The CCC introduced the content of the first two citizens' panel sessions, which focus on introducing participants to the concepts of climate change and adaptation. Oversight Group members stressed the importance of including a clear explanation of the distinction and interlinkages between adaptation and mitigation. Members also discussed the importance of including information to enhance participants' understanding of how climate change impacts vary across different groups and communities.

#### 5. Breakout rooms

The Oversight Group members were split into two breakout rooms for discussion on the thematic workshops. The first breakout room discussed the content and structure of the homes overheating, homes flooding and nature topics, while the second breakout room discussed the topics of transport and utilities.

Oversight Group members highlighted the importance of exploring individual and community/system-level behavioural adjustments across the different topics. Members also stressed the importance of being alert to differences in options and context between rural and urban settings, as well as for Devolved Administrations and to accommodate differing options for homeowners and renters.

#### 6. Discussion on wrap-up session

The CCC secretariat presented initial ideas on how the final wrap up session of the Citizens' Panel can facilitate discussions exploring prioritisation across different topic areas. Oversight Group members gave steers on the kind of insights that would be most useful from the wrap-up session.

#### 7. Next steps

The CCC outlined the plan for future engagement with the Oversight Group including the next meeting in October or November 2025.