

ADEPT: Consultation Tracker

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This document is tailored to provide a monthly overview of key consultations and committee inquiries (2016 onwards) relevant to the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport.

Department consultations

Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

Pubs Code and Pubs Code Adjudicator: statutory review

We're seeking views and evidence which will inform the government's statutory review of the Pubs Code and the performance of the Pubs Code Adjudicator.

This consultation closes at **11:45pm on 22 July 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/pubs-code-and-pubs-code-adjudicator-statutory-review>

The future for small-scale low carbon generation: part B

We're seeking views on proposals to modify electricity supply licence conditions for the purpose of introducing the Smart Export Guarantee (SEG).

This consultation closes at **11:45pm on 27 May 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/the-future-for-small-scale-low-carbon-generation-part-b>

Future frameworks for international collaboration on research and innovation: call for evidence

Professor Sir Adrian Smith is providing independent advice to government on the design of future UK funding schemes for international collaboration, innovation and research. This call for views will inform his advice.

This consultation closes at **11:45pm on 24 May 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-frameworks-for-international-collaboration-on-research-and-innovation-call-for-evidence>

The quality and effectiveness of audit: call for views

The independent review by Sir Donald Brydon is seeking views on the quality and effectiveness of audit.

This consultation closes at **5pm on 7 June 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/the-quality-and-effectiveness-of-audit-call-for-views>

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Reforming agricultural tenancies in England

Seeking views on reforming agricultural tenancy law in England, evidence of existing barriers to letting farmland and if additional protections are needed.

This consultation closes at **11:45pm on 2 July 2019**

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/ahdb-sponsorship-and-agricultural-tenancies/agricultural-tenancy-consultation/>

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

No updates.



Department for Transport

Public service vehicle operator licensing and tribunal rules: legislative changes

We are suggesting and seeking opinion on:

1. changing the rules to allow public service vehicle operators, who have met the necessary criteria for licensing, to commence vehicle operations as soon as possible
2. whether to create the power to introduce formal tribunal rules for the tribunal functions carried out by traffic commissioner

This consultation closes at **11:45pm on 25 June 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/public-service-vehicle-operator-licensing-and-tribunal-rules-legislative-changes>

HM Treasury

Social Investment Tax Relief: call for evidence

We are seeking the views of organisations and individuals on how the Social Investment Tax relief has affected access to finance for social enterprises.

This consultation closes at **11:59pm on 17 July 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/social-investment-tax-relief-call-for-evidence>

Transposition of the Fifth Money Laundering Directive

This consultation invites views and evidence on the steps that the government proposes to take to meet the UK's expected obligation to transpose the Fifth Money Laundering Directive into national law. This consultation closes at **11:59pm on 10 June 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/transposition-of-the-fifth-money-laundering-directive>

Restricting exit payments in the public sector

The government legislated for a cap of £95,000 on exit payments in the public sector in the Small Business Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 as amended by the Enterprise Act 2016. The 2015 act sets out the duty to implement the cap through secondary legislation.

This consultation sets out the proposed draft regulations, schedule to the regulations, accompanying guidance and directions. The government welcomes comments on the draft regulations.

This consultation closes at **11:59pm on 3 July 2019**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/restricting-exit-payments-in-the-public-sector>

Department for Exiting the European Union

No updates

Current committee consultations & inquiries

Transport Committee

Pavement parking inquiry

The Committee is calling for written evidence on the following:

- the impact of pavement parking;
- the enforcement of pavement parking offences; and
- enforcement and, if necessary, reform of traffic regulation orders need to deal with pavement parking.

The deadline for written submissions is 14 May 2019.



Trains fit for the future? Inquiry

The inquiry will examine the costs and benefits to the rail industry as it takes decisions about moving away from diesel powered trains to electric and bi-mode and the use of alternative fuels such as batteries and hydrogen

The deadline for written submissions is Thursday 23 May 2019.

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/transport-committee/inquiries/parliament-2017/trains-fit-for-future-17-19/>

Science and Technology Committee

No new inquiries.

Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee

Homelessness Reduction Act - One Year On inquiry

The Housing, Communities and Local Government Committee will hold an evidence session on the implementation of the Homelessness Reduction Act, when they take evidence from Heather Wheeler MP, Minister for Housing and Homelessness, homelessness charities and local government.

There will be a one-off evidence session on **Tuesday 23 April 2019**

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/housing-communities-and-local-government-committee/inquiries/parliament-2017/implementation-homelessness-reduction-act-17-19/>

Business Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

Post Office network inquiry

The Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee will hold a **one-off evidence hearing on Tuesday 21st May** on the Post Office network, examining issues such as the franchising of Post Offices, the reduction of Government subsidies, and the long-term resilience of the service.

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/business-energy-industrial-strategy/inquiries/parliament-2017/post-office-network-17-19/>

Supporting regional investment and growth inquiry

The Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee has launched an inquiry into business investment and growth in all parts of the UK, beyond areas of heavy investment such as London and the South East. The Committee will be examining the Government support available for businesses and how best to attract inward investment to parts of the country with lower productivity.

The deadline for written submissions is Friday 17 May 2019.

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/business-energy-industrial-strategy/inquiries/parliament-2017/inquiry10/>

EFRA Committee

No new inquiries.

Environmental Audit Committee

Invasive Species inquiry

The Environmental Audit Committee launches an inquiry on the impacts of invasive species and their management.

No end date listed.

<https://www.parliament.uk/business/committees/committees-a-z/commons-select/environmental-audit-committee/inquiries/parliament-2017/invasive-species-17-19/>



Exiting the European Union

No new inquiries.

National Infrastructure Commission

No new inquiries.

