

ADEPT: Consultation Tracker August 2023

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

Key dates:

Summer recess: 20 July – 4 Sept 2023

Conference season: 19 Sept – 16 Oct 2023

Liberal Democrat Party Conference: 23 – 26 Sept 2023

Conservative Party Conference: 1 Oct – 4 Oct 2023

Green Party Conference: 06 Oct – 08 Oct 2023

Labour Party Conference: 08 Oct – 11 Oct 2023

Department consultations

Cabinet Office

No updates

Department for Business and Trade

UK battery strategy

The Department for Business and Trade has opened a consultation on their proposed work for a UK battery strategy to ensure we have access to the widest possible evidence and perspectives.

Opens: 24 August 2023

Closes: 28 September 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/calls-for-evidence/uk-battery-strategy>

Department for Culture, Media and Sport

No updates

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Heat networks regulation: consumer protection

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on Heat networks regulation: consumer protection.

Opens: 4 August 2023

Closes: 27 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/heat-networks-regulation-consumer-protection>

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Future System Operator: second policy consultation and project update

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on the Future System Operator.

Opens: 4 August 2023

Closes: 20 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/future-system-operator-second-policy-consultation-and-project-update>

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

No updates



Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

Toilet provision in buildings other than dwellings: technical consultation

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities has opened a consultation on toilet provision in buildings other than dwellings.

Opens: 13 August 2023

Closes: 8 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/toilet-provision-in-buildings-other-than-dwellings-technical-consultation>

Private parking code of practice: call for evidence

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing & Communities is seeking to gather evidence to inform our review of parking charges and debt recovery fees in the private parking industry.

Opens: 30 July 2023

Closes: 8 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/private-parking-code-of-practice-call-for-evidence>

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

No updates

Department for Transport

Design standards for accessible railway stations: a code of practice

The Department for Transport has opened a consultation on design standards for accessible railway stations.

Opens: 23 August 2023

Closes: 1 December 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/design-standards-for-accessible-railway-stations-a-code-of-practice>

HM Revenue & Customs

No updates

HM Treasury

No updates

Current committee consultations & inquiries

Business and Trade Committee

No updates

Culture, Media and Sport Committee

No updates

EFRA Committee

No updates

Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

Environmental Audit Committee

No updates



Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

No updates

Public Accounts Committee

Lessons learned: competition in public procurement

The House of Commons Public Accounts Committee has opened an inquiry into supplier competition in public procurement.

Opens: 1 August 2023

Closes: 8 October 2023

<https://committees.parliament.uk/work/7880/lessons-learned-competition-in-public-procurement/>

Science and Technology Committee

No updates

Transport Committee

No updates

Treasury Committee

No updates

National Infrastructure Commission

No updates

Misc of interest

Extending civil sanction variable monetary penalty powers

The Environment Agency has opened a consultation on their proposals for when they will use variable monetary penalties and how they will calculate them.

Opens: 15 August 2023

Closes: 8 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/extending-civil-sanction-variable-monetary-penalty-powers>

Environmental permitting: standard rules consultation 27

The Environment Agency has opened a consultation on Environmental permitting: standard rules consultation 27.

Opens: 17 August 2023

Closes: 9 November 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/environmental-permitting-standard-rules-consultation-27>

Draft railway access guidance update

The Office of Rail and Road has published a public consultation on railway access guidance update.

Opens: 25 August 2023

Closes: 6 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/draft-railway-access-guidance-update>

