

ADEPT: Consultation Tracker

April 2025

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:

May Day: 01 – 06 May 2025

Local and mayoral elections: 01 May 2025

Department consultations

Cabinet Office

No updates

Department for Business and Trade (Business, Economy & Financial Services)

No updates

Department for Culture, Media and Sport

No updates

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Voluntary carbon and nature markets: raising integrity

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on implementing the UK government's principles for voluntary carbon and nature market integrity.

Opened: 17 April 2025

Closes: 10 July 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/voluntary-carbon-and-nature-markets-raising-integrity>

Planning for new energy infrastructure - 2025 revisions to National Policy Statements

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on planning for new energy infrastructure: 2025 revisions to National Policy Statements.

Opened: 24 April 2025

Closes: 29 May 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-for-new-energy-infrastructure-2025-revisions-to-national-policy-statements>

Proposals for greenhouse gas removal and power bioenergy with carbon capture and storage regulations

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on revenue support regulations for GGRs and power BECCS business models.

Opened: 28 April 2025

Closes: 9 June 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposals-for-greenhouse-gas-removal-and-power-bioenergy-with-carbon-capture-and-storage-regulations>

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

Exemptions Reform to the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

Environment Agency has opened a public consultation on proposed changes to the Environmental Permitting Regulations to streamline controls and improve environmental safeguards.

Opened: 8 April 2025

Closes: 3 June 2025

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/environmental-regulations/exemptions-reform-to-the-environmental-permitting/>

Environment Agency charge proposal - cost of service

The Environment Agency has opened a consultation on proposed changes to regulatory charges to fully recover service costs.

Opened: 16 April 2025

Closes: 28 May 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/environment-agency-charge-proposal-cost-of-service>

Proposed updates to the Environment Agency's enforcement and sanctions policy to include the Clean Heat Market Mechanism

The Environment Agency has opened a consultation on changes to its enforcement and sanctions policy to cover the Clean Heat Market Mechanism.

Opened: 22 April 2025

Closes: 15 July 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-updates-to-the-environment-agencys-enforcement-and-sanctions-policy-to-include-the-clean-heat-market-mechanism>

Department for Justice and Home Affairs

No updates

Department for Health and Social Care

No updates

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

No updates

Department for Transport

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

Economic Affairs Committee

No updates

Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

No updates

Environmental Audit Committee

No updates

Housing and Communities and Local Government Committee

No updates

Public Accounts Committee

No updates

Science and Technology Committee

No updates

Transport Committee

No updates

Treasury Committee

No updates

Misc of interest

Improving National Infrastructure Project Delivery

The All-Party Parliamentary Group for Project Delivery has opened an inquiry into how the UK can improve the delivery of major infrastructure projects.

Opened: 25 March 2025

Closes: 6 May 2025

<https://www.appgprojectdelivery.org/news-and-updates/parliamentarians-launch-inquiry-to-improving-the-delivery-of-national-infrastructure-projects>