



The one-hundred-and-sixth meeting of the Joint Nature Conservation Committee to be held at 0900 hours on 17 March 2016, at JNCC, Monkstone House, City Road, Peterborough, PE1 1JY

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Joint Nature Conservation Committee

Joint Committee forward programme for 2016

Executive summary

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1. Action required

- 1.1. The Joint Committee is asked to **discuss** the programme of Joint Committee business for 2016.

2. Key points

- 2.1. This paper presents a forward programme for Joint Committee meetings. The programme has been updated since it was last presented to the Committee in November.
- 2.2. Members are asked to note that the programme will be reviewed once the business plan for 2016/17 has been agreed and the outcome of the JNCC review is known.
- 2.3. The next meeting of the Joint Committee will take place on Thursday 9 June. The location will be confirmed at the Joint Committee meeting but Edinburgh is likely.

Joint Committee forward programme 2016

	March 2016 (Peterborough)	June 2016 (location to be agreed)
Standing items		
Chief Executive's report on topical issues	x	x
Report from the MPA sub-group (normally oral)	x	x
Report from the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (oral)	x	x
Joint Committee forward programme	x	x
Performance and reporting		
Quarterly corporate performance reports	x	
End of year performance report for 2015/16		x
Annual discussion on risk management	x	
Annual report from the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee		x
Joint Committee self-assessment report on findings and agreed actions	x	
Annual Report and Accounts for year ending 31 March 2016		x
Business planning		
Business plan for 2016/17	x (final draft)	
Strategic plan for 2017-21		x
Business development – income diversification	x	
Decisions (e.g. approval of formal advice to governments)		
Harbour porpoise SACs	Timing and content depend on government decisions on consultation	
Marine SPA sufficiency	Timing not yet decided	
Species protection measures (follow-up to 6 th Quinquennial Review of Schedules 5 and 8 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act)	Intersessional	

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Formal scientific advice on Marine Conservation Zones (tranche 3)	Timing not yet decided	
Revision of selected chapters of the SSSI selection guidelines	Intersessional at various times during the year	
Options/recommendations for JNCC and SNH roles in renewable energy casework	x	
Strategic thinking (e.g. development of corporate strategy and discussion of strategic nature conservation issues)		
Review of JNCC (scope and timing of Committee input not yet clear)	x?	X?