



The one hundred and fifteenth meeting of the
Joint Nature Conservation Committee to be held
at 08.45 on 7th June 2018
JNCC, Monkstone House, City Road,
Peterborough, PE1 1JY

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Matters arising

1. There are no matters arising for this meeting.
2. A report on outstanding action points from previous meetings is attached at Annex 1. All other action points have been discharged.

Annex 1

Action points from Joint Committee meetings

June 2017

Action	Person responsible	Progress update
<p>18 Joint Committee forward programme (official) (JNCC 17 27) AP08 Mrs Quince to include a paragraph in the next annual report from ARAC due in June 2018 summarising activity in the health and safety area.</p>	Mrs Quince	Completed

September 2017

Action	Person responsible	Progress update
<p>8.2 Simplification of approval process for advice on offshore Marine Protected Areas (Official) (JNCC 17 34) AP02 Dr Goold to produce a simple 'handling document' for CNCB Chairs' reference.</p>	Dr Goold	Completed

November 2017

Action	Person responsible	Progress update
<p>16.3 Update on JNCC's EU exit activities (Official-sensitive) (JNCC 17 55) AP07 Mr Yeo and Ms Battersby to work with CNCBs to produce a short position statement on the proposed environmental body.</p>	Mr Yeo/Dr Battersby	The proposed new environmental body was discussed by the European Issues Inter-Agency Group on 4 December and by a group of Committee members on 23 January. At the March Committee meeting it was decided that JNCC would not be responding to the consultation on the new body.

March 2018

Action	Person responsible	Progress update
1.1 Chairman's opening remarks AP01 Mrs Quince to circulate the induction programme to all Committee members.	Mrs Quince	Completed.
4.1 Matters arising (JNCC 18 03) AP02 Professor Maggs to further refine the research questions and present to the Joint Committee for discussion.	Professor Maggs	Ongoing. The question "Which international natural environmental issues have the greatest potential to bring benefits to the UK? What opportunities are there to engage in international activity to address these issues?" has been reworked. The final form of the remaining questions awaits the vehicle where they will be presented.
4.3 Matters arising (JNCC 18 03) AP03 Ms Elliott to circulate JNCC publications to members and add the documents to the Committee SharePoint site.	Ms Elliott	Completed.
8.4 Report from Chief Scientists Group (Official-sensitive) (JNCC 18 05) AP04 Dr Gibson to ensure that NBN is taken into consideration when the conclusions arising from the Terrestrial Evidence Review are drawn up.	Mr Rose	Ongoing. Discussions on the future of NBN are underway in JNCC and elsewhere. The outcomes of these discussions will be brought together with the Terrestrial Evidence review at an appropriate time.
13.3i Risk management in JNCC (Official-sensitive) (JNCC 18 10) AP05 Mr Yeo to amend the draft significant risks register to strengthen the mitigation actions for risks relating to evidence quality assurance.	Mr Yeo	Completed.
15.3 Future directions for joint work on air pollution (Official-sensitive) (JNCC 18 12) AP06 Professor Maggs to discuss future resourcing of work on air pollution with the Chief	Professor Maggs	A discussion has been held with CSG. All parties are keen to see additional resources invested into this work but all are currently fully committed.

Scientists Group.		
18.4 Joint Committee sub-groups – structure and purpose (Official-sensitive) (JNCC 18 15) AP07 Ms Elliott to circulate the Committee competency framework to members for updates.	Ms Elliott	Completed.