

ADEPT: Consultation Tracker September 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:

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

No updates

Department for Culture, Media and Sport

Technical consultation on a Community Wealth Fund in England

The Department for Culture, Media and Sport has published a public consultation on the key design principles of a dormant assets-funded Community Wealth Fund in England. The government intends the fund to target places that are experiencing high levels of deprivation and/or low social capital.

Opens: 21 September 2023

Closes: 19 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/technical-consultation-on-a-community-wealth-fund-in-england>

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Proposed amendments to the Boiler Upgrade Scheme Regulations

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has published a public consultation on Proposed amendments to the Boiler Upgrade Scheme Regulations.

Opens: 31 August 2023

Closes: 12 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-amendments-to-the-boiler-upgrade-scheme-regulations>

CCUS transport and storage Revenue Support Agreement counterparty

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has published a public consultation on CCUS transport and storage Revenue Support Agreement counterparty.

Opens: 13 September 2023

Closes: 25 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/ccus-transport-and-storage-revenue-support-agreement-counterparty>

Hydrogen blending into GB gas distribution networks

The Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on the case for hydrogen blending and lead options for its implementation, if enabled.

Opens: 15 September 2023

Closes: 27 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/hydrogen-blending-into-gb-gas-distribution-networks>

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

No updates

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

No updates

Department for Science, Innovation and Technology

Open Communications: A Smart Data scheme for the UK telecoms market

The Department for Science, Innovation and Technology has opened a consultation on the potential introduction of a Smart Data scheme - 'Open Communications' - into the UK telecoms market.

Opens: 18 September 2023

Closes: 13 November 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/open-communications-a-smart-data-scheme-for-the-uk-telecoms-market>

Department for Transport

No updates

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

Urban green spaces

The House of Commons Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee has launched an inquiry into how green spaces in built-up areas can help to meet the environmental challenges of urban living.

Opens: 19 September 2023

Closes: 20 October 2023

<https://committees.parliament.uk/work/7932/>



Education and career opportunities in land-based sectors

The House of Commons Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee has launched an inquiry into education and career opportunities in land-based sectors.

Opens: 22 September 2023

Closes: 3 November 2023

<https://committees.parliament.uk/call-for-evidence/3256>

Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

No updates

Environmental Audit Committee

No updates

Levelling Up, Housing and Communities Committee

No updates

Public Accounts Committee

No updates

Science and Technology Committee

No updates

Transport Committee

No updates

Treasury Committee

No updates

National Infrastructure Commission

No updates

Misc of interest

Consultation: Electronic Communications Code - proposed amendments to Template Notices

The Office of Communications has opened a consultation on the electronic communications code.

Opens: 12 September 2023

Closes: 10 October 2023

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/consultations-and-statements/category-3/consultation-ecc-proposed-amendments-template-notices>

Consultation: Electronic Communications Code of practice

The Office of Communications has opened a consultation on the electronic communications code of practice.

Opens: 12 September 2023

Closes: 7 November 2023

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/consultations-and-statements/category-1/electronic-communications-code-of-practice>



Building Digital UK has opened a consultation on Project Gigabit.

Opens: 15 September 2023

Closes: 16 October 2023

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/project-gigabit-national-rolling-open-market-review-september-2023>

Consultation on driving better company performance through clear and effective whistleblowing practices

The Water Services Regulation Authority has opened a consultation on driving better company performance through clear and effective whistleblowing practices.

Opens: 18 September 2023

Closes: 13 October 2023

<https://www.ofwat.gov.uk/consultation/consultation-on-driving-better-company-performance-through-clear-and-effective-whistleblowing-practices/>

