



Committee on Fuel Poverty

Minutes of Committee on Fuel Poverty (CFP) Meeting, 7th November 2018

The Chairman and following members of the Committee were present: David Blakemore (Chair), Alice Maynard, Jenny Saunders, Liz Bisset, Lawrence Slade and Paul Massara. Officials from the BEIS Fuel Poverty Strategy Team attended for a discussion on the review of the Fuel Poverty Strategy. Also, from BEIS, the Sponsor and Secretariat were present.

Minutes of last meeting and actions

1. The [minutes](#) of the meeting on 13 September were approved and were subsequently published on the CFP web pages on 6 December.
2. The majority of actions from the last meeting had been completed and members were content that remaining actions were being progressed.

Members' Interests

3. No potential conflicts of interest specific to the meeting's agenda were declared.

Update on Meeting with Minister

4. Members had met with Claire Perry MP, the Minister of State for Energy and Clean Growth and discussed key recommendations from their [third Annual Report](#). During their meeting they highlighted the funding gap and the potential to optimise existing budgets to meet the fuel poverty 2020 and 2025 milestones and 2030 target.

Forward Look: Annual Report Recommendations

5. Members discussed themes arising from the recommendations in their Annual Report and the order of priorities over the next twelve months. Areas members agreed to explore included delivery of the 2020 milestone; links to welfare benefits and levels of income; improved targeting and efficiency of assistance to fuel poor households.

Update on Review of Fuel Poverty Strategy

6. Officials provided an update on the Fuel Poverty Strategy review including proposed approach and current outline plans going forward.

Other discussion

7. Members also:

- discussed planned recruitment of an additional CFP member
- discussed next steps for their proposed research project;
- discussed recent and forthcoming stakeholder engagement;
- potential dates for future CFP meetings;

Next CFP Meeting

8. Next meeting is:

- 15th January