

Energy Innovation Board

Summary note

24th January 2017

Attendees

Board members & alternates: Government Chief Scientific Advisor (Chair); Chief Scientific Advisor, Defra; Chief Scientific Advisor, DfT; Director, Infrastructure Systems, Innovate UK; Director, Programme Delivery, EPSRC; CEO Energy, Atkins (Independent Board member); Associate Partner, Costs & Outputs and Technical, Ofgem.

Observers: EIB Secretariat; Forestry Commission; Head of Energy, Innovate UK; Deputy Director Science and Innovation, BEIS; Head of Built Environment, BEIS; OLEV officials; DCLG officials; GO-Science; HMT officials.

Agenda

Emissions Reduction Plan – Sector Priorities

BEIS Carbon Budgets Team offered a presentation and led a sector-based discussion, outlining that work on the carbon budgets 4 & 5 continued across Government. Sector modelling was based on three plausible scenarios and the focus remained at sector-level ahead of the development of UK-wide scenarios. The discussion covered the Agriculture, Forestry and Waste; Transport; Buildings; Industry; and Power sectors.

It was agreed that a revised paper should be developed that would be based around the abatement technologies / measures in the three scenarios in each sector and set against the pathway to 2050. The paper should be clear on the current and planned innovation activity and highlight any potential innovation gaps and where more could be done to plug these. This work should also help to identify priorities for the medium-term work of the Board and would be reflected in a revised single integrated plan.

Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF)

A brief presentation set out the challenges in the ISCF that had a bearing on the energy sector. These were currently being consulted on and there was an opportunity for Board members to help shape these. The ambition was to align the ISCF challenges with the Board's single integrated plan.

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None.