

1st MEETING OF THE LABOUR MARKET EVIDENCE GROUP
Tuesday 29th July 2025, 14:00 – 15:30
Virtual conference

Attending

Professor Brian Bell (Chair)
Dame Nancy Rothwell
Tom Younger
Phil Smith
Richard Murray
Thomas Nichols
Victor Dukelow
Holly White
Tessa Griffiths
Frank Bowley
Jonathan Bateman
Joanne Gibson
Supporting Staff for LMEG Members

Agenda Item 1 – Welcome and introductions

Brian Bell opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees. The group introduced themselves.

Agenda Item 2 – Discuss and agree Terms of Reference

Holly White from the MAC presented the draft Terms of Reference. Members discussed the scope of the group's analytical remit, the proposed rotating chair arrangement and the approach to transparency.

Agenda Item 3 – MAC Commission on the Temporary Shortage List (TSL) Review

A member of the MAC Secretariat provided an overview of the TSL review commissioned by the Home Secretary. Members clarified how the review will run and how their respective organisations will input.

Agenda Item 4 – Discussion on the First-Year Workplan

A member of the MAC Secretariat outlined the proposed workplan for the next three meetings. Discussion focused on the early priorities, resourcing and alignment with ongoing work of member organisations.

Agenda Item 5 – Next Steps

LMEG officials to start the workplan agreed by LMEG.

Members to update ministers on the terms of reference and workplan.

Agenda Item 6 – Any Other Business

No substantive items were raised. The MAC will chair the next meeting, and the chair will rotate annually. The next meeting date will be confirmed in due course.