Defra Board Minutes 14 July 2025

Attendance

The board members in attendance:

- Steve Reed MP: Secretary of State (Chair)
- Mary Creagh MP: Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Daniel Zeichner MP: Minister of State
- Emma Hardy MP: Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Baroness Hayman of Ullock: Parliamentary Under Secretary of State
- Chris Tyas: Non-Executive Director
- Nick Folland: Non-Executive Director
- Indro Mukerjee: Non-Executive Director
- Sachin Jogia: Non-Executive Director
- David Hill: Interim Permanent Secretary
- Iain King: Chief Financial Officer
- Kate Davies: Director General Strategy and Water

Also in attendance:
- Board Secretariat
- Supporting Officials as relevant

Note of Defra Board meeting

There were no new declarations of interest from board members.

Permanent Secretary's Report

The board received an update from the Permanent Secretary on key areas of work across the department.

UK-EU Relationship

The board discussed the department's work on resetting the UK's relationship with the European Union.

Spending Review

The board discussed the department's Spending Review settlement.

Performance and Risk Report

The board reviewed the latest performance and risk report covering the department's work.