

ADEPT: Consultation Tracker

June 2025

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:

Summer: 22 July – 1 September 2025

Conference: 16 September – 13 October 2025

Department consultations

Cabinet Office

No updates

Department for Business and Trade (Business, Economy & Financial Services)

No updates

Department for Culture, Media and Sport

No updates

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

Growing the market for low carbon industrial products - policy framework

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero has opened a consultation on a framework to support demand for low carbon steel, cement and concrete.

Opened: 23 June 2025

Closes: 15 September 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/growing-the-market-for-low-carbon-industrial-products-policy-framework>

Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs

Improving the implementation of Biodiversity Net Gain for minor, medium and brownfield development

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs has opened a public consultation on refining Biodiversity Net Gain policies for small-scale and brownfield development projects.

Opened: 28 May 2025

Closes: 24 July 2025

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/defra-biodiversity-net-gain/improving-the-implementation-of-biodiversity-net-g/>

Reforming our approach to floods funding

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs has opened a consultation on a proposed simplified and strategic funding model for flood and coastal erosion resilience projects in England.

Opened: 3 June 2025

Closes: 29 July 2025

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/floods-and-water/reforming-our-approach-to-floods-funding/>

Flood and coastal erosion funding reform

The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs has opened a consultation on flood and coastal erosion funding rules and are calling for evidence on alternative sources of funding and devolution opportunities.

Opened: 3 June 2025

Closes: 29 July 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/flood-and-coastal-erosion-funding-reform>

Department for Justice and Home Affairs

No updates

Department for Health and Social Care

No updates

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government

Reform of planning committees: technical consultation

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has opened a consultation on implementing proposals to modernise planning committees.

Opened: 28 May 2025

Closes: 23 July 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/reform-of-planning-committees-technical-consultation>

Local government reorganisation in Surrey

The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has opened a consultation on local government reorganisation proposals submitted by councils in Surrey.

Opened: 17 June 2025

Closes: 5 August 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/local-government-reorganisation-in-surrey>

The Fair Funding Review 2.0

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has opened a consultation on reforming local authority funding through the Local Government Finance Settlement from 2026–27.

Opened: 20 June 2025

Closes: 15 August 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/the-fair-funding-review-20>

Modernising and improving the administration of council tax

Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government has opened a consultation on proposed reforms to the administration of council tax.

Opened: 20 June 2025

Closes: 12 September 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/modernising-and-improving-the-administration-of-council-tax>

Department for Transport

Proposed amendments to the existing national policy statement for ports

The Department for Transport has opened a consultation on the draft revised national policy statement for ports (2025).

Opened: 4 June 2025

Closes: 29 July 2025

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/proposed-amendments-to-the-existing-national-policy-statement-for-ports>

HM Treasury

No updates

Current committee consultations & inquiries

Business and Trade Committee

No updates

Culture, Media and Sport Committee

No updates

EFRA Committee

No updates

Economic Affairs Committee

No updates

Energy Security and Net Zero Committee

No updates

Environmental Audit Committee

No updates

Housing and Communities and Local Government Committee

No updates

Public Accounts Committee

No updates

Science and Technology Committee

No updates

Transport Committee

No updates

Treasury Committee

No updates

Misc of interest

Consultation on Accessible Travel Policy (ATP) Guidance redress requirements

Office of Rail and Road has opened a consultation on proposals to amend Accessible Travel Policy Guidance regarding redress for failed assistance.

Opened: 30 May 2025

Closes: 11 July 2025

<https://www.orr.gov.uk/search-consultations/consultation-accessible-travel-policy-atp-guidance-redress-requirements>

Regulatory proposals for Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage and offshore hydrogen production

The Health and Safety Executive has opened a consultation on proposed legislative changes for offshore CCUS operations, hydrogen production, and inspector transport to offshore wind facilities.

Opened: 4 June 2025

Closes: 13 August 2025

<https://consultations.hse.gov.uk/hse/proposals-carbon-capture-utilisation-storage/>

Proposal to improve asset management maturity of water companies

The Water Services Regulation Authority has opened a consultation on establishing a new regulatory framework to improve water companies' asset management maturity.

Opened: 13 June 2025

Closes: 5 September 2025

<https://www.ofwat.gov.uk/consultation/proposal-to-improve-asset-management-maturity-of-water-companies/>

Waste batteries: appropriate measures for permitted facilities

The Environment Agency has opened a consultation on proposed technical guidance for facilities storing or treating separate collections of waste batteries.

Opened: 16 June 2025

Closes: 8 September 2025

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/environment-and-business/waste-batteries-appropriate-measures-for-permitted/>