

There will be a hybrid meeting of the COSLA Environment and Economy Board on Friday 15 December 2023 at 10.30am in COSLA offices, Verity House, 19 Haymarket Yards, Edinburgh.

Jane O'Donnell
Chief Executive

AGENDA

Introduction

1. Welcome and Apologies

Minute and Board Plan– reports circulated

2. Minute of the 3 November 2023 Board meeting and Matters Arising
3. Environment and Economy Board Plan

Items for Discussion and Decision – reports circulated

4. Climate Change
 - a. Climate Intelligence Service

There will be a presentation by the Improvement Service and the Edinburgh Climate Change Institute on the development of Climate Intelligence Service.

- b. Net Zero Delivery Framework and Environmental Standards Scotland Recommendations

This paper will update the Board on the development of a new net zero delivery framework which is intended improve how policy is delivered in high carbon sectors. The report will ask the Board to agree a position on the recommendations from Environmental Standards Scotland inquiry into climate change monitoring.

5. Heat in Buildings Bill Consultation

This paper will give the Board a first opportunity to discuss the newly launched consultation on the Heat in Buildings Bill.

6. Scottish Biodiversity Strategy Consultation

This paper will seek the Board's approval for a COSLA's response to the Scottish Biodiversity Strategy Consultation.

7. Waste – verbal update

This verbal update will update the Board on recent developments on waste policy, including the Circular Economy Bill, Extended Producer Responsibility for packaging waste and the treatment of persistent organic pollutants (POPS).

8. Levelling Up and UK Towns Fund

This paper will provide an update on recently announced LUF 3 and development on the UK Towns Fund.

9. Dates for 2024 – 1 March, 3 May, 21 June, 6 September, 1 November and 13 December.