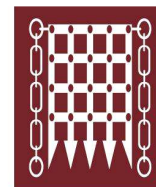


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UK climate change adaptation - priorities, the strategic pathway to net zero emissions, and  
ambitions for COP26**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle**, former Leader, Green Party of England and Wales
- 9.05 **'Adapting to climate change - a progress update, a look ahead to 2021, and our longer-term vision for resilience to climate impacts'**  
**Tom Handysides**, Head of Climate Change Adaptation, Defra  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 Break
- 9.30 **Latest thinking on the steps needed for a green and sustainable UK recovery plan**  
*Preparing a sustainable pathway - economic priorities, greening supply chains, and developing policy*  
**Mallika Ishwaran**, Senior Economist and Policy Adviser, Shell  
*Assessing the scope of a recovery package - support for green modernisation and behaviour change, accelerating the low-carbon transition, and securing investment*  
**Michaela Seimen Howat**, Executive Director, Sustainability, UBS  
*Next steps for developing ecosystem protection and preventing lock-in emissions - tree planting, peatland restoration, and expanding national carbon sequestering*  
**Dr Mike Morecroft**, Principal Specialist, Climate Change, Natural England
- 10.00 **Reaching net-zero by 2050 - developing natural resilience, and cross-sector engagement with long-term decarbonisation**  
**Phil Jarvis**, Farm Manager, Allerton Project, Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust, and Chair, Environment Forum, National Farmers Union  
**Claire Haigh**, Chief Executive, Greener Journeys  
**Conor McCone**, UK Carbon Manager, Skanska
- 10.15 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Baroness Bennett of Manor Castle**, former Leader, Green Party of England and Wales
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Clive Lewis MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Climate Change Group
- 11.00 **Next steps for adapting to the impact of climate change - developing resilience in the natural and built environment, tailoring strategies for local needs, and meeting future demand**  
*'Meeting the challenge of flood and coastal erosion management - an engineering perspective'*  
**Dr Tim Fox**, Chair, Process Industries Division, IMechE  
*Designing environment strategies and tailoring plans for local climate risks*  
**Nigel Riglar**, Director for Environment and Community Services, South Gloucestershire Council
- 11.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.35 **Opportunities for COP26 and meeting the challenge of climate change on a global level**  
**Simon Tilling**, Partner, Environment & Energy, Burges Salmon  
**Dr Emily Shuckburgh**, Director, Cambridge Zero, University of Cambridge  
**John Dora**, Chair, National Infrastructure Operators Adaptation Forum, and Fellow, Institution of Civil Engineers  
**Isabella O'Dowd**, Senior Climate Change Specialist, WWF UK  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for a national green COVID-19 recovery package, preparing for COP26, and building adaptation capacity**  
**Tony Grayling**, Director, Sustainable Business and Development, Environment Agency  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**  
**Clive Lewis MP**, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Climate Change Group  
**Jack Longman** Senior Researcher, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum