

**Paper 1: Delivering Impact Sessions**

Update for information, consideration, and feedback

June 2022

**Aims and objectives**

The Yorkshire and Humber Climate Commission is establishing a programme of ‘Delivering Impact’ Sessions that will run through to early 2024 with a focus on net zero, climate resilience, nature recovery and fair and inclusive (or just) transitions in the region.

Each of the open sessions (see below) will:

1. examine evidence on key themes
2. review global, national and regional best practice
3. develop links between different areas of action to encourage a joined-up approach;
4. consider what is being done, what needs to be done, and what more could be done to deliver ambitious climate action in the region;
5. review stakeholder perspectives on each theme, considering the views of government, business and communities/third sector groups;
6. consider enablers/blockers and capacities for change;
7. propose practical actions that can/should be taken and the role that the Commission and other actors can play in promoting these.

The draft outputs from the sessions will form the basis for extensive stakeholder engagements and will be fed into government and business and to the activities of the Commission moving forward.

They will also feed into the ‘State of the Region’ climate action progress review that the Commission is preparing for launch in early 2024.

**Current Session Topics and Timeline**

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|  | Regional Policy Forum | Climate Adaptation Resilience Panel | Net Zero Panel | Land, Water, Nature and Food Panel | Future Economy Panel |
| July 22 | Fuel poverty, cost of living | Session shaping and confirming briefs, speakers etc | Session shaping and confirming briefs, speakers etc | Session shaping and confirming briefs, speakers etc | Session shaping and confirming briefs, speakers etc |
| Sept 22 |  |  |  | Creating a secure & sustainable regional food system – urban & rural |  |
| Oct 22 | Planning (overview, including adaptation) | People and communities | Buildings, retrofit (inc. heritage) | Nature’s recovery &– Achieving 30:30 and beyond | Green jobs and employment including  training and skills |
| Dec 22 |  | Health and well-being | Planning and new build standards | Mitigating climate change, net zero & nature-based solutions | SMEs and business support |
| Jan/Feb 23 | Best Practice & Learning session on a) Climate Comms & Engagement; b) Scope 3 emissions and procurement | Infrastructure | Energy – supply side, distribution and CCUS | Cultural adaptation (attitudes, behaviour, communications) | Finance and investment |
| Mar/Apr 23 |  | Business and industry | Energy – demand side, storage and distributed renewables | Nutrient cycles and soil health (water quality) | Innovation and entrepreneurship |
| May/Jun 23 | Jobs and Skills | Emergency response & preparedness – part 1 | Transport – demand, active, public | Water in the landscape (quality, supply) | Procurement and supply chains |
| Jul/Sept 23 |  | Emergency response & preparedness – part 2 | Transport – vehicles, freight, aviation and shipping | Marine considerations | Logistics and distribution |
| Oct/Nov 23 | Ecological Emergency and Biodiversity improvements (inc. Planning update) | Land, water, nature, food – overview session | Consumption and behaviours | Principles for new development (B&GI) | Circular economy and resource efficiency |

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| **What** | **Lead** | **When** | **Why** |
| Agree final programme | Commission and Panels | June 2022 | Provide transparency and enable effective planning and preparation |
| Call for evidence reviews | Research and Evidence Panel | June 2022 | Ensure our debates are well informed using most current and relevant research |
| Speaker nominations and invitations | Fora/ Panels and Secretariat | 3 months in advance of session | To secure most appropriate speakers |
| Invite Commission and Forum/WG/Panel members | Secretariat | 2 months in advance of session | To enable members to plan and prepare |
| Evidence review received, edited, circulated | Secretariat | 1 month in advance of session | To provide members time to review and seek comment from networks |
| Chair and speaker briefings | Co-Directors | 1 month in advance of session | To provide plenty of planning time |
| Session planning and logistics | Secretariat | 1 month in advance of session | To support Chairs with smoothly run sessions |
| **Delivering Impact Session** | | | |
| Draft position paper produced | Secretariat and Co-Directors | Within 2 weeks of session | To provide a record of the key considerations made, conclusions, and recommendations/actions identified |
| Draft position paper and proposed actions reviewed | Commission/Leadership Group and Fora/Panels | Within 6 weeks of session | To provide consistency in approach and mitigate potential reputational risks |
| Draft position paper and actions amended following comments and circulated to Commission/Leadership Group and to Fora/WG/Panel Chairs | Secretariat | Within 2 weeks of receipt of comments | For transparency and awareness |
| Draft position paper supported | Co-Directors, Commission Chair, Fora/Panel Chairs | Within 2 weeks of receipt of amended version | For transparency & visibility |
| Agreed position paper and actions fed into Regional Policy/National Policy Fora | Secretariat and Fora Chairs | At the next available Forum meeting | To increase awareness of key issues and support/enable climate action across local/national government |
| Agreed position paper and actions fed into Climate Pledge Signatories Group | Secretariat and Co-Directors | Within 3 months of session | To increase awareness of key issues and support/enable climate action across in the private sector |
| Evidence briefing, session videos, agreed commentary and actions posted on on-line consultation platform | Secretariat | Within 1 month of securing support (from Co-Directors, Commission Chair, Fora/WGs/Panel Chairs as appropriate) | To ensure timely and full public engagement |
| Supporting comms for on-line consultations | Secretariat | Ongoing through process | To ensure all are aware and able to promote engagement through their networks |
| **6-week consultation period** | | | |
| Feedback processed and revised position paper and actions produced | Secretariat and Co-Directors | Within 1 month of consultation period closing | To ensure timely progress and completion of process |
| Revised position paper and actions reviewed | Commission/Leadership Group and relevant Fora/Panel | Within 2 months of consultation period closing | To maintain ownership and provide transparency & visibility |
| Final revisions | Secretariat and Co-Directors | Within 2 weeks of receipt of final comments | To provide a ‘single voice’ through the reports |
| Final version sign-off | Chair and Co-Directors | Within 3 months of consultation process closing | To formally complete the process effectively with opportunity to reflect on learning and continuously improve the process. |

**Evidence Review Template - Developed with the Research and Evidence Panel**

The Panels will need to provide a scope for each evidence review, to help the lead co-ordinating deliver what is needed. This can include a requirement to draw on community science or learning and best practice from other sectors, as well as from within the academic community.

c.2000 words, written to be accessible whilst connecting to the research and evidence base, addressing the following points:

A. Context and description of the issue

* Evidence on the importance of the issue

1. Globally
2. Nationally
3. Regionally

* Links between the issue and the broader objectives of the Commission (net zero, climate resilience, nature recovery, just transitions)

B. Forms of response

* Discussion on the scale and pace of action required on this issue
* Discussion on the scale and pace of action currently underway on this issue
* Discussion on key enablers/blockers shaping current activity (e.g. policy, finance, business engagement, public support)
* Review of potential forms of response that could be adopted in the region
* Identification of any best practice examples that the region could learn from
* Discussion on costs and benefits and winners and losers from the potential response

C. Proposed actions for the region

* Elaboration of potential ways forward for the region
* Discussion on the key actions needed to make those ways forward viable
* Discussion on the implications of inaction or continuation of current approaches

**Delivering Impact Session Framework**

Whole session – 2.5 hrs

**Part 1 (1hr 10mins) – to be recorded and used as part of the consultation process**

Inspiring and thought-provoking presentation (10 mins speaking + 10 mins direct questions)

* What do we need to do and by when?
* What does current best practice look like?

Regional best practice presentation (10 mins speaking + 10 mins direct questions)

* What is regional best practice and how widespread is it?
* What is normal practice and how can we change it?

Stakeholder presentations (x3, each 7 mins speaking + 3 mins direct questions)

* Perspective from local government
* Perspective from business
* Perspective from communities/third sector

**\* 10 mins break \***

**Part 2 (1 hr 10 mins) – not recorded, under Chatham House Rule to enable open conversation**

Structured conversation on:

* Why is this issue important?
* How does this issue interact with other key priorities?

(Net Zero, Climate Resilience, Nature Recovery, Just Transitions)

* What level of action is needed and why?
* What is currently happening and is it consistent with what is needed?
* What should we be seeking to do and what does best practice look like?
* What capacities do we have and what are the main enablers/blockers?
* Who are the key stakeholders and decision makers that need to be involved and are they engaged/aligned?
* What can we do under current conditions?
* What policy or other support is needed to go further/faster?
* What should the Commission do to develop and spread regional best practice?
* What is/are the next steps needed to support or enable action?
* What is the timeframe for action and who should lead?

**Accessible Briefing Note Template**

c.2500 words, written as an accessible briefing note, focusing on delivering impact in Y&H.

* What the issue is and why it is important
  + *Range of levels, from individual to a regional & strategic view*

*Pop out box summarising underpinning evidence*

* How this issue relates to and interacts with other YHCC priorities

*Pop out box explaining links between this issue and broader NZ, CR, NR and JT priorities*

* Who the key stakeholders and decision makers are that need to be involved and a reflection on the current position in the region

*Pop out box setting out key stakeholders and decision makers*

* What should key stakeholders and decision makers be seeking to do?

*Pop out box summarising the objective to be achieved and by when*

* + What does this mean for an individual who wants to be climate ready?
* What is currently happening and is it consistent with what is needed?

*Pop out box showcasing current regional best practice*

* + What capacities do we have and what are the main enablers/blockers?
  + What can we do under current conditions?
* What policy or other support is needed to go further/faster?

*Pop out box on key policy or other support asks to enable action on this issue*

* What the Commission is doing to develop and spread regional best practice

*Pop out box mapping this issue onto deliverables from the CAP*

* What are the next steps needed to support or enable action in the region?
* What is the timeframe for action and who should lead/be involved?

*Pop out box summarising the key action points*