



# Office for Environmental Protection

## Minutes

Extraordinary meeting of the Board  
Wednesday 2 November 1pm  
Worcester Woods Country Park, Worcester

## Members

Malcolm Beatty OBE	Board Member
Julie Hill MBE	Board Member
Professor Dan Laffoley	Board Member
Dr Paul Leinster CBE	Board Member
Professor Richard Macrory CBE	Board Member
Natalie Prosser	Chief Executive
Dame Glenys Stacey	Chair
Helen Venn	Chief Regulatory Officer

## Attendees

Peter Ashford	General Counsel
REDACTED	Principal Complaints Manager
Alexis Edward	Head of Finance and Corporate Services
Mike Fox	Head of Communications and Strategic Relations
Richard Greenhous	Chief of Staff
Andy Lester	Head of Business Strategy and Planning
Professor Robbie McDonald	Chief Insights Officer
Ellie Strike	Head of Complaints, Investigation and Enforcement
Kate Tandy	Head of Litigation and Casework
REDACTED	Business and Governance Officer (Secretariat)

**22.87 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest**

No apologies were received. There were no new declarations of interest.

**22.88 Approach to targets deadline**

The Board were reminded of the context for the discussion. At its 27 October 2022 meeting, the Board agreed a strategic approach in the event that the UK Government missed its deadline for setting long-term environmental targets under the Environment Act.

Since that time, we had exchanged correspondence with the Secretary of State, and published the exchange. Some media interest had resulted.

The Chair and Chief Executive are due to meet the Secretary of State shortly in order to discuss the missed deadline for setting targets and the Secretary of State's view of the substance of any targets.

The Board discussed its continued confidence in the approach being adopted.

There was no other business.

The meeting concluded at 13:15.