

Renewable Energy: Policy and Evidence Base Workshop

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The Centre for Sustainable Energy (CSE) in association with the Department of Energy and Climate Change* (DECC) and the Department for Communities and Local Government, has been running a communications programme since 2004 to raise awareness of, and effectively disseminate information about, renewable energy and relevant Government policy and planning processes.

Planning Policy Statement 1: Supplement on Climate Change widens the scope of planning for renewable energy. The recent DECC UK Renewable Energy Strategy states: "Effective and proactive strategic planning by local and regional authorities is vital to capitalise on the renewable opportunities available to us. Key will be a transparent, robust and evidence-based process in which individuals, communities, developers and planners can engage". This requires a drawing together of plan-making skills and the needs and issues raised by renewable energy.

This full-day workshop is to be held at **The Novotel Hotel, Bristol on Wednesday 10 March 2010** will give you the opportunity to:

- ♦ improve your knowledge of the policy development
- ♦ consider the implications of the proposed changes to national policy
- ♦ Review what is needed when delivering an evidence base
- ♦ Improve the development of policies, including spatial guidance and site allocation

BOOKING FORM

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Details

Please return your completed form to Kirsty Mitchell by fax (0117 934 1410) or email (kirsty.mitchell@cse.org.uk)



*The energy remit from the Department for Business, Enterprise & Regulatory Reform has now been transferred to a new department, the Department of Energy and Climate Change

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

09.30 Registration and refreshments

10.00 Welcome and introduction
Simon Lewin, Centre for Sustainable Energy

10.05 National Policy and Regulation
Adrian Smith, Independent Planning Consultant

10.30 Renewable and low carbon energy aspects of the PPS1 Practice Guidance
Rob Shaw, AECOM

11.00 Review of Current Practice and Progress
Adrian Smith, Independent Planning Consultant

11.25 Tea and coffee break

11.40 Group work session 1: Developing evidence base - spatial

12.20 Developing an evidence base - constraints
Martin Holley, Centre for Sustainable Energy

12.50 Lunch

13.35 Developing an evidence base - policy considerations
Adrian Smith, Independent Planning Consultant

14.05 Group work session 2: Developing an evidence base constraints

14.35 Developing a local evidence base and targets
Rob Shaw, AECOM

15.20 Tea and coffee break

15.40 Delivery mechanisms and monitoring
Rob Shaw, AECOM

16.10 Wrap up and close



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