



## Scotland's Climate Assembly Stewarding Group - Seventh Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Attendees

Andrew McCornick	National Farmers Union, Scotland
Anna Birney	Director, School of System Change
Anna Santucci	Secretariat
Claudia Beamish MSP	Scottish Labour Party
	Open Government Partnership,
	Scottish Government
Doreen Grove	Secretariat
Gina Belk	Director of the Sustainable Earth
Professor Iain Stewart	Institute, University of Plymouth
	Secretariat
Jamie Gregory	Dublin City University
Dr Jane Suiter	Scottish Liberal Democrats
Jenny Marr	Climate Café, Dunkeld
Jess Pepper	Secretariat
Julie Steel	Extinction Rebellion
Justin Kendrick	Involve
Kaela Scott	Extinction Rebellion
Kate Dyer	The Democratic Society (DemSoc)
Kelly McBride	2050 Climate Group
Kirsten Leggatt	Scottish Youth Parliament
Liam Fowley MSYP	Scottish Green Party
Laura Moodie	University of Edinburgh
Dr Oliver Escobar	Energy Transition Institute, Robert
	Gordon University
Professor Paul de Leeuw	Secretariat
Ruth Mattock	Fraser of Allander Institute,
Dr Scott McGrane	University of Strathclyde
	Secretariat
Susie Townend	Director, Centre for Climate Justice,
Tahseen Jafry	GCU
	Involve
Tim Hughes	

### Apologies

Malcolm Cannon	Institute of Directors, Scotland
Finlay Carson MSP	Scottish Conservative Party
Bryce Cunningham	Mossgiel Farm
John Dickie	Child Poverty Action Group
Professor Iain Docherty	University of Stirling
Angus MacDonald MSP	Scottish National Party
Audrey MacDougall	Scottish Government, Social
	Research



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Seanadh Gnàth-shìde  
na h-Alba

Andrew McRae

Mike Robinson

Sally Thomas

Federation of Small Business  
Scotland

Scottish Royal Geographical  
Society

Scottish Federation of Housing  
Associations



## 1. Introduction

Susie welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded the Stewarding Group that any papers they wished to share with the Evidence Group must be circulated via the Secretariat. Attendees agreed to the meeting being recorded.

## 2. Weekends 1 & 2 (Ian Stewart)

Iain Stewart presented updates to the learning journey for weekends one and two put together by the Evidence Group and circulated to the Stewarding Group before the meeting. Iain reiterated that weekend one would be a high level introduction to topics that would be built on throughout the Assembly. In the discussion that followed, the Stewarding Group expressed a keenness for tasks and additional resources to be given to Assembly members in between meetings to aid the overall learning journey. The Stewarding Group also felt a political science angle was missing and needed to be incorporated to cover issues such as security, displacement and instability caused by climate breakdown.

## 2. Systems Change Thinking Arc (Anna Birney)

Anna Birney outlined how systems change thinking can be incorporated throughout the Assembly. Using the analogy of an iceberg, she explained that discussing behavioural changes is comparable to the part of the iceberg above the surface. These 'surface ideas' are shallow but can be a useful starting point to feed through to deeper issues. Each stream or topic area, would be analysed using different pathways or trajectories e.g. market change vs. incremental changes across different timeframes e.g. short term vs. long term. **Anna noted that if the Stewarding Group had any example scientific trajectories to please forward them onto her via the Secretariat.**

Both the Evidence Group and the Stewarding Group agreed that the group of speakers for the Assembly should be diverse. The group recognised that speakers shouldn't be limited to academics but include people with a broad range of experiences and backgrounds.

## 3. AOB

The Stewarding Group asked if they could provide any additional support to the Evidence Group as they continue to develop the learning journey. The Evidence Group requested:

- **Engaging learning material for example video clips, stories, graphs and interactive articles/games**
- **Case studies, specifically examples where climate solutions have already been initiated in Scotland**
- **Suggestions for speakers**



Julie reminded the Stewarding Group not to approach speakers themselves but direct suggestion to the Secretariat.