# **Alliance Policy Committee**

2:00pm-3:30pm 14th May 2019

## **In attendance:**

Emma Gardner (Christian Aid Scotland), Nick Hepworth (Water Witness International), Jamie Livingstone (Oxfam), Hazel MacIver (Tearfund), Lewis Ryder-Jones (The Alliance) Kenneth Watt (Oxfam), Ben Wilson (SCIAF), Tanya Wisely (IDEAS and Oxfam)

## **Apologies:**

Simon Anderson (IIED), Michelle Brown (University of Edinburgh), Chris Pettigrew (IVS)

## **Main decisions:**

1. Those present unanimously support moving to quarterly meetings – next meeting August 22nd 2019
2. There is general agreement that a work plan for the group would be useful to help people understand why it is worth engaging with the committee, that includes different work streams that people can get involved with (work streams identifiable right now are: PCSD report, lobbying, CPG meetings, round-tables with decision makers, potential shared ID campaigns)
3. The [terms of reference](https://www.intdevalliance.scot/application/files/8515/4167/9053/POLICY_COMMITTEE_TERMS_OF_REFERENCE_agreed_15.12.17.docx.pdf) should be reviewed in light of different work streams that appear.
4. [Alliance Community](https://community.intdevalliance.scot/) (online platform – please click on link and engage!) is probably most sensible place to communicate about specific work streams, but invites for specific work should be targeted nonetheless
5. PCSD report/paper – publish not as definitive report with all the answers, but more as the latest contribution to the debate. Don’t oversell what we are offering.

## **Action points:**

* Get PCSD paper/report content finished by end of May if possible, but hard deadline is CTEEA inquiry deadline (21st June) – Lewis, Ben, Tanya, Sarah Freeman
* Develop lobbying plan for CTEEA in run up to 21st June – Ben, Lewis, Kenneth (?)
* Contact St Andrews University about Alliance membership - Nick
* Oxfam to link Lewis and Nick into the Oxfam-UWS sponsored VNR snapshot – Kenneth (done)
* consumption and water as an example of PCSD - Nick to add in section to PCSD report
* Get smaller orgs to provide examples for climate bill lobbying activities. Need to be very specific in request so smaller orgs can see connection – Ben to lead, with Lewis’ help

## **Questions to come back to at next meeting:**

* Should the Alliance consider a 2021 election manifesto? who could support this? Would members find it useful? Is there a work stream to add in?
* Scot Gov Contribution to development report requires a coordinated approach and analysis from sector, this lacked last year. It will be published by late summer. Our own analysis should offer feedback through a PCSD lens. Should we follow plan on PCSD shadow report in future years?