

Just Transition Commission

Minutes of Seventh Meeting

10 December 2025

Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment
Tom Johnson House, Haddington Road, Dublin 4

1. Attendees

Commission Members:

- Ali Sheridan Chair
- Conor Minogue
- Dr Diarmuid Torney
- Michelle Murphy
- Tanya Ward (morning and early afternoon)
- Vanessa Kiely O'Connor (afternoon)
- Suresh Kumar
- Dr Evan Boyle
- Oisín Coghlan
- Ryan McKinney (online)

Secretariat:

- Caroline Lyons - Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment
- Greta Szabo – Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment
- Michael Keegan - Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment
- Rónán Stokes - Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment
- Conor Reynolds - Department of Climate, Energy and the Environment

2. Welcome and Housekeeping

Chair and Members adopted the minutes of the meeting of the Commission in October 2025.

Chair outlined that the focus of the day's meeting would be on the Commission's upcoming publication and reaching a consensus on the report's recommendations. A presentation by the Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) in relation to behaviours and perceptions around a just transition was also scheduled for the afternoon.

Chair thanked members of the Commission and Secretariat for their efforts this year and noted the impact the Commission has made in raising awareness of just transition supporting the move from concept to practice.

3. Upcoming Publication

During the morning session the Commission discussed its upcoming publication. The Commission reviewed the report's text on embedding just transition in policy and governance, and the importance of social dialogue to shape a just transition. Members reached a consensus on the key messages and recommendations in each section.

4. Behavioural Research (Presentation by the Economic and Social Research Institute)

In the afternoon the Commission welcomed Professor Pete Lunn, Dr. Lucie Martin and Dr. Shane Timmons from the Behavioural Research Unit in the ESRI. The Unit gave a presentation to the Commission, titled ‘Behavioural Evidence for the Just Transition’. This covered three areas: ‘A behavioural lens on Just Transition’ – Professor Lunn; ‘The Climate Collective Action Problem’ – Dr. Martin; and ‘Evidence from Ireland’ – Dr. Timmons.

5. Upcoming publication

Following the ESRI presentation the Commission continued its review of the upcoming publication. The Commission reviewed the report’s findings on agriculture, transport and finance and key messages and recommendations for each section.

6. AOB

Commissioners provided updates on their individual engagements since the last meeting.

7. Actions

- The secretariat and Commission will continue to work on the publication which will reflect on the Commission’s 2025 engagements.