

Economy and Transport Secretary appoints Members of the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales

Economy and Transport Secretary Ken Skates has announced the members of the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales (NICW) – and they will meet today for the first time.

Welsh Government established the NICW to support independent, better informed advice on a longer-term strategy for infrastructure investment, which enshrines the goals and principles of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

It has been established as a non-statutory, advisory body to provide advice and recommendations to the Welsh Ministers on the economic and environmental infrastructure needs of Wales over five to thirty years. The Commission will also consider the interactions of these needs with 'social infrastructure', such as schools, hospitals and housing.

Economy and Transport Secretary Ken Skates said:

"The calibre of candidates who came forward for this role through the public appointments process was high and I want to thank all those who took the time to express their interest

"I'm delighted to appoint a group of Commissioners with such expertise and experience. I look forward to receiving their advice and am convinced they will make a major contribution to Wales' well-being through improved infrastructure."

Economy and Transport Secretary Ken Skates had already appointed Mr John Lloyd Jones OBE, FRAGS, Hon FLI to the Chair of the Commission.

Mr Lloyd Jones said:

"I'm privileged to lead such a talented and capable group of commissioners. Our first meeting will be an opportunity to introduce ourselves to each other. After this, we look forward to making a substantial contribution to Wales' long-term infrastructure development."