

DECC Public Bodies Directory

2008-2009

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Chapter 1: Introduction

This document gives a comprehensive snapshot of the public bodies sponsored by DECC as at March 2009.

A public body is not part of a government department, but carries out its function to a greater or lesser extent at arm's length from central government. Non-Ministerial departments (of which DECC has one – The Office of Gas and Electricity Markets) and executive agencies (of which DECC has none) are excluded from this directory.

Ministers are ultimately responsible to Parliament for the activities of the bodies sponsored by their department and in almost all cases (except, for example, where there is separate statutory provision) ministers make the appointments to their boards. Departments are responsible for funding and ensuring good governance of their public bodies.

The term 'public body' is a general one which includes Non-Departmental Public Bodies (NDPBs), Public Corporations, NHS Bodies, and the Public Broadcasting Authorities BBC and S4C. As at March 2009, DECC was responsible for eleven public bodies – four executive NDPBs, six advisory NDPBs and one public corporation. Definitions of these are set out below:

Executive NDPBs - established in statute and carrying out administrative, regulatory and commercial functions, they employ their own staff and are allocated their own budgets.

Advisory NDPBs - provide independent and expert advice to ministers on particular topics of interest. They do not usually have staff but are supported by staff from their sponsoring department. They do not usually have their own budget, as costs incurred come within the department's expenditure.

Public Corporations – corporations which are formed to provide a government function or to operate under government control.

Chapter 2: Key to Directory Fields

Contact details

Address, phone, fax, e-mail and website details (where available).

Regulatory Function

Indicates where the body performs a Regulatory function. “Regulation” is defined as ‘exerting powers over, or imposing burdens on, other organisations or individuals; by means of inspection, licensing, referral to another decision-maker (particularly with binding advice), accreditation or enforcement.’

Notes

Records the date the body was established and information clarifying other entries.

Chair (or equivalent title)

Shows the name of the Chair as at 31 March 2009

Chair’s Remuneration

Remuneration figures are generally rounded to the nearest pound and do not include normal expenses, such as travel and subsistence. An entry of zero may mean that the post is unpaid, or that the post holder does not claim the remuneration (aside from normal expenses) to which he or she is entitled. Amount shown will be the per annum remuneration unless otherwise stated.

Chief Executive/Secretary

Shows the name of the Chief Executive/Secretary as at 31 March 2009.

Chief Executive/Secretary’s Remuneration

Chief Executive remuneration totals comprise the basic salary plus:

- geographical allowances such as London Weighting;
- performance related bonuses;
- any employer’s contributions paid in respect of the Chief Executive under the pension scheme;
- the estimated monetary value of any other benefits receivable by the Chief Executive otherwise than in cash; and
- any agreed sum on taking up appointment.

Amount shown will be the per annum remuneration unless otherwise stated. Otherwise, as for ‘Chair’s Remuneration’ (above)

Members

Indicates the number and gender of board members (M = male; F = female).

Public meetings

Indicates whether any of the body’s meetings are open to the public: does not necessarily relate specifically to public access to the body’s board meetings.

Public minutes

Indicates whether minutes or summary reports of board meetings and other meetings are made publicly available, via a website or otherwise.

Register of Interests

Indicates whether a Register of Interests for Board members is maintained and available for public scrutiny.

Ombudsman

Shows the Ombudsman within whose remit the body falls. 'PCA' is the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (the Parliamentary Ombudsman). Advisory NDPBs do not usually fall within an Ombudsman's jurisdiction.

Annual Report

Shows the year of the body's latest published Annual Report.

Last Review

Shows the year in which the body was last reviewed.

Audit arrangements

Shows the audit arrangements/external auditor for Executive NDPBs, Nationalised Industries and Public Corporations only. Under an agreement between the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) and HM Treasury, the NAO is either the auditor of, or has inspection rights to, all Executive NDPBs.

Expenditure information

Expenditure information is for 2008-09 unless otherwise indicated. This will be audited data unless otherwise shown in the Notes box. Advisory NDPBs do not normally have their own budgets (but see 'Government Funding' below).

Government Funding

This generally represents grant or grant-in-aid from Government, but in the case of Advisory NDPBs represents the secretariat costs borne by the parent department, where identifiable.

Total Gross Expenditure

Shows the public body's total gross expenditure for the financial year (the 'bottom' line expenditure figure in their income and expenditure account). Will reflect, where appropriate, income from sources other than Government funding e.g. fees, levies etc. Not applicable for Advisory NDPBs.

Staff employed

Shows the full-time equivalent number of employees (rounded to the nearest whole number) as at 31 March of the reporting year. This figure does not include staff of the parent department providing a secretariat for executive bodies but does include civil servants temporarily seconded into the body itself, and paid for from the body's funds. **BUT** for Advisory NDPBs which generally do not employ their own staff the figure shown is the number of WTE (Whole Time Equivalent) secretariat staff supplied by the parent department, where identifiable.

Appointments and Remuneration:

Appointments to public bodies (excluding Tribunal and Independent Monitoring Board NDPBs) which are made by Ministers (including the Prime Minister, and the Crown on the advice of Ministers) are normally regulated by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Appointments. For bodies which fall outside the Commissioner's remit departments may choose to apply the provisions of the OCPA Code to their appointments process as an indication of best practice.

Appointments

Shows details as at 31 March 2009. Post holders who do not claim the remuneration (aside from normal expenses) to which they are entitled are shown as unpaid.

Chapter 3: DECC Public Bodies Data for 2008-09

Name of Body: Civil Nuclear Police Authority					
Type of Body	Executive NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	H280 Hinton House, Birchwood Park Avenue Risley Warrington Cheshire WA3 6AS				
Telephone	01925 833300	Fax	01925 833301		
Email	info@cnpa.pnn.police.uk	Regulatory function	Yes		
Website	www.cnpa.police.uk				
Role	To defend and protect those sites to which it is deployed, with a view to denying unauthorised access to nuclear material and, if necessary, recovering control of any nuclear material which may have been lost to unauthorised persons. The safe and secure movement of nuclear material within the UK and internationally.				
Notes	Established April 2005				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Melvyn Smith	Remuneration (per annum)	£25,000		
Chief Executive	Tony Regan	Pay	£110,858		
Public meetings	Yes	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Independent Police Complaints Commission and Police Complaints Commission Scotland				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	National Audit Office	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£921,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£52,339
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	900				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	
Deputy			Deputy		
Member		1FP	Member		1FP, 2MP

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Name of Body: Coal Authority					
Type of Body	Executive NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	200 Lichfield Lane Mansfield Nottinghamshire NG18 4RG				
Telephone	01623 637000	Fax			
Email	thecoalauthority@coal.gov.uk	Regulatory function		Yes	
Website	www.coal.gov.uk				
Role	The Coal Authority works to protect the public and the environment in coal mining areas. It manages the effects of past coal mining in order to promote public safety and safeguard the landscape now and for future generations				
Notes	Established September 1994				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Dr Helen Mounsley		Remuneration (per annum)		£26,000
Chief Executive	Philip Lawrence		Pay		£135,416
Public meetings	Yes	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Parliamentary Ombudsman)				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	2002
Audit arrangements	National Audit Office	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£37,300,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£37,487,000
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	158				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1FP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1FP, 2MP	Member		-

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Name of Body: Nuclear Decommissioning Authority					
Type of Body	Executive NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	Herdus House Westlakes Science and Technology Park Moor Row Cumbria CA24 3HU				
Telephone	01925 802001	Fax	01925 802203		
Email	enquiries@nda.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.nda.gov.uk				
Role	The NDA's mission is to deliver safe, sustainable and publicly acceptable solutions to the challenge of nuclear clean-up and waste management				
Notes	Established April 2005				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Stephen Henwood		Remuneration (per annum)	£235,000	
Chief Executive	Richard Waite		Pay	£239,834	
Public meetings	Yes	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Parliamentary Ombudsman)				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	National Audit Office	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£898,000,000	Total Gross Expenditure	£3,664,000,000
OCPA regulated	No				
Staff employed	364				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1FP, 6MP	Member		-

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Name of Body: Committee on Climate Change					
Type of Body	Executive NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	4 th Floor Manning House 22 Carlisle Place London SW1P 1JA				
Telephone	0207 592 1553	Fax	0207 270 8309		
Email	enquiries@theccc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.theccc.gov.uk				
Role	The OCC was established under the Climate Change Act to advise the Government on emissions targets and to report to Parliament on progress made in reducing greenhouse gasses.				
Notes	Established November 2008				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Lord Adair Turner		Remuneration	£4000*	
Chief Executive	David Kennedy		Pay	£41, 057*	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Parliamentary Ombudsman)				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	National Audit Office	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£1,728,000*	Total Gross Expenditure	£1,728,000*
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	25				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1FP, 6MP	Member		-

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*from establishment of CCC in November 2008 to the end of the 2008-09 financial year)

Name of Body: Advisory Committee on Carbon Abatement Technologies

Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	ACCAT Secretariat 3 Whitehall Place London SW1A 2AW				
Telephone	0300 068 5347	Fax			
Email	Barbara.garnierschofield@decc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what we do/uk_supply/energy_mix				
Role	ACCAT provides expert, independent advice to Government on matters concerning technologies for reducing carbon dioxide emissions from power generation and other large industrial processes using fossil fuel.				
Notes	Established June 2007				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Peter Whitton		Remuneration	£0	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Parliamentary Ombudsman)				
Annual report	ACCAT does not produce annual reports			Last review	2007 (internal)
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1M	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		1M	Deputy		-
Member		2F, 11M	Member		-

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Name of Body: Committee on Radioactive Waste Management					
Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	CoRWM Secretariat Area 3D 3 Whitehall Place London SW1A 2AW				
Telephone	0300 068 6117	Fax			
	0300 068 6109				
Email	corwm@decc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.corwm.org.uk				
Role	To provide independent scrutiny and advice to UK Government and Devolved Administration Ministers on the long-term management, including storage and disposal, of radioactive waste. CoRWM's primary task is to provide independent scrutiny on the Government's and NDA's proposals, plans and programmes to deliver geological disposal, together with robust interim storage, as the long-term management option for the UK's higher activity wastes.				
Notes	Originally established 2003 and reconstituted in 2007				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Robert Pickard		Remuneration (per annum)	£35,100	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	Yes	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Not applicable				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		4FP, 10MP	Member		-

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Name of Body: Fuel Poverty Advisory Group					
Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	FPAG Secretariat Area 1D Whitehall Place SW1A 2AW				
Telephone	0300 060 4000	Fax	None		
Email	None		Regulatory function	No	
Website	None				
Role	The Fuel Poverty Advisory Group's primary tasks are to report on the progress of delivery of the Government's Fuel Poverty Strategy and to propose improvements to mechanisms for delivery in England. The Group was set up in 2002 as designated by the Government's Fuel Poverty Strategy, published in November 2001.				
Notes	Established 2002				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Derek Lickorish		Remuneration	£0	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	Yes	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (Parliamentary Ombudsman)				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	2009
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		-	Member		4F Ex, 13M Ex

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Name of Body: Renewables Advisory Board					
Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	RAB Secretariat 3 Whitehall Place London SW1A 2AW				
Telephone	0300 060 4000	Fax	None		
Email	Sarah.stead@decc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.renewables-advisory-board.org.uk				
Role	The Renewables Advisory Board provides constructive evidence-based advice to Government on the effective delivery of its renewable energy objectives.				
Notes	Established May 2002				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Alan Moore (Acting Chair)		Remuneration	£0	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	None				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1M	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		2F, 15M	Member		-

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Name of Body: Nuclear Liabilities Financing Assurance Board					
Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	NLFAB Secretariat Area 3D 3 Whitehall Place London SW1A 2AW				
Telephone	0300 060 4000	Fax	None		
Email	nlfab@decc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	www.decc.gov.uk/nlfab				
Role	NLFAB provides impartial scrutiny and advice on the suitability of the Funded Decommissioning Programme (FDP), submitted by operators of new nuclear power stations. The Board will advise the Secretary of State on the financial arrangements that operators submit for approval and on the regular review and ongoing scrutiny of funding.				
Notes	Established March 2009				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Lady Janet Balfour		Remuneration (per annum)	£9000	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	None				
Annual report	None			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1FP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1MP	Member		-

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Name of Body: UK Chemical Weapons Convention National Authority Advisory Committee					
Type of Body	Advisory NDPB				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	Bay 116, 1 Victoria Street London SW1H 0ET				
Telephone	0300 060 4000	Fax	None		
Email	naac@decc.gsi.gov.uk	Regulatory function	No		
Website	None				
Role	To assist DECC in implementing the Chemical Weapons Convention and Chemical Weapons Act 1996. The Committee advises on compliance measures for implementing the convention and the Act; the effectiveness of DECC's monitoring measures; technical developments which could apply to chemical weapons; and matters relating to the Organisation of the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons inspections in the UK.				
Notes	Established October 1997				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Dr Tony Bastock		Remuneration (per annum)	£0	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	Yes	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	None				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	Not applicable	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCPA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1MP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1F, 5M	Member		-

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Name of Body: Nuclear Liabilities Fund					
Type of Body	Public Corporation				
Address of body (or secretariat for Advisory NDPBs)	Farringdon Place 20 Farringdon Road London EC1M 3AP				
Telephone	0207 065 0000	Fax	0207 076 0650		
Email	David.venus@uk.pkf.com	Regulatory function	Yes		
Website	None				
Role	To provide arrangements for funding certain long-term costs of decommissioning some nuclear power stations.				
Notes	The Nuclear Generation Decommissioning Fund Ltd was incorporated in March 1996. Following the restructuring of British Energy in January 2005, the fund became the Nuclear Liabilities Fund.				
Public Body Statistics 2008-2009 (as at March 2009)					
Chair	Lady Janet Balfour		Remuneration (per annum)	£37,261	
Chief Executive	None		Pay	Not applicable	
Public meetings	No	Public minutes	No	Register of interests	Yes
Ombudsman	None				
Annual report	2008-09			Last review	None
Audit arrangements	Deloitte LLP	Government funding for the year 2008-2009	£0	Total Gross Expenditure	£0
OCA regulated	Yes				
Staff employed	0				
Appointments					
Chair	Ministerial	1FP	Chair	Non-Ministerial	-
Deputy		-	Deputy		-
Member		1FP, 1MP	Member		-

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