

**MUTUALS TASKFORCE MEETING**  
**Thursday 9 February, 2012**  
**1 Horse Guards Road**  
**15.30 – 17.30**

**MINUTES**

**Attendees**

Chair: Julian Le Grand                      Peter Holbrook  
Peter Marsh                                      Nita Clarke  
Patrick Lewis  
Crown Commercial Representative for Mutuals

**Officials**

Head of Mutuals Programme  
OCS Officials

**Apologies**

Ed Mayo    Donna Fallows  
Jo Pritchard                                      Rachel Wolf

**Welcome and introductions**

- Planning is going for appointment of Commercial Director

**Chair's Update**

- An experts round table meeting took place on the 8 Feb, this was for experts to feed their experience, knowledge and learning into the development of policy proposals. This went very well, the key message was to concentrate on training, education especially in the two years running up to the launch
- 1:1 meetings with Chair have been scheduled
- Unfortunately the Chair's buddying trip to two pathfinders was cancelled due to travel disruption, re-scheduling for 19 April.
- The Chair attended the Reform Roundtable, on new business models for public services on 13 February.

**Update from the Cabinet Office**

- Co-ops Bill was announced by the Prime Minister
- Cross Whitehall Group met for the second time, meeting went well, they will keep updating on progress of Right to Provide.

**Review of Pathfinder Buddying Experiences**

Overall -

- It will be important to set out progress clearly
- Need to focus on diagnosing and finding solutions to barriers e.g. SMEs and procurement
- Development of business skills will be essential
- Much of this can be addressed in the progress report.