

Introduction

- The Ministerial Decision [MD-PE-2014-0119](#) in 2014 established the Energy Forum in its current format and membership
- The forum was originally set up to provide an opportunity for key stakeholders to input and advise against progress of the Pathway 2050 document
- Since then, Jersey's ambition on emissions reductions has evolved. The Climate Emergency was declared and the Carbon Neutral Strategy and, later, the Carbon Neutral Roadmap was approved by the States Assembly
- The current Terms of Reference are therefore no longer applicable. The Assistant Minister for the Environment (with delegated responsibility for Energy and Climate Change) is disbanding the forum in its current format in order to re-establish it in a way that is most useful to Jersey's decarbonisation agenda.

Recommendation

To disband the Energy Forum in its current format

Detail

- The Jersey Energy Forum is a multi-stakeholder non-executive forum and forms part of the Jersey Energy Partnership. Its role is to comment on and input to the progress of Pathway 2050: Energy Plan for Jersey (see P.38/2014), and to raise areas of concern and identify future of changing priorities
- A Ministerial Decision was issued on 5 January 2015 to appoint members to the Energy Forum. The forum comprises members from organisations which are identified in the terms of reference approved by the Jersey Energy Executive on 28th August 2014. Members are appointed to the Forum for three years, but the membership of the forum will be reviewed on an annual basis to ensure all stakeholder groups are represented
- Since this partnership was formed, the Pathway 2050: Energy Plan document has been superseded by the Carbon Neutral Strategy, and later, the [Carbon Neutral Roadmap](#)
- The UK's ratification of the Paris Agreement was also extended to Jersey at COP26. This means Jersey has an international commitment to reach net zero emissions by 2050 with interim targets of a 68% reduction by 2030 and a 78% reduction by 2035
- The current objectives within the Terms of Reference for the Energy Forum are therefore no longer valid
- This therefore presents an opportunity to review the Energy Forum in its current format, including its membership and ensure it is appropriate for its ambition to aide the progress of decarbonisation on the island
- At the Energy Forum meeting in November 2022, the discussion was had over the future of the Forum and the Assistant Minister for the Environment took the decision to disband the Energy Forum in its current format
- The group will be re-constituted as the Energy Suppliers Group with a new Terms of Reference. Membership will be made up of energy suppliers and domestic and utility scale generators across the island
- The Energy Forum will be disbanded without further notice