

Paper 2/5: Draft outline for Commission report **For discussion**

1. Purpose

1.1 This paper provides an outline structure for the report that the Commission will submit to Ministers in early 2021.

2. Background

2.1 The proposed structure has been drafted by the secretariat, based on the themes identified during the first Commission meeting. A copy of the draft structure is included in the Annex of this paper for consideration.

2.2 This is intended purely as a starting point for discussion among Commissioners on how they wish to proceed with the report.

Annex – Draft outline structure for Commission report

1. Introduction

1.1 This would provide the context for the work of the Just Transition Commission.

2. Lessons learned

2.1 To consider specific examples of previous transitions in Scotland. This could be informed by reference to the decarbonisation of electricity generation in Scotland to date, and the use of existing research on the effects on communities and workers resulting from the decline of coal mining

3. Quality of work

3.1 This section would assess implications for both quantity and quality of jobs resulting from economic changes associated with decarbonisation.

4. Social inclusion

4.1 How progress towards meeting climate change targets could present both new opportunities for improving social inclusion, or lead to new inequalities developing.

5. Regional cohesion

5.1 Identification of particular issues arising in relation to regional cohesion – meaning specific communities or groups that may stand to gain in relation to the transition, or that are at risk.

6. Economic development

6.1 An assessment of what the main opportunities are for the Scottish economy resulting from decarbonisation.

7. Innovation and delivery at scale

7.1 How to realise the potential opportunities of the move to a carbon-neutral economy.

8. Communication

8.1 A final theme confirmed at the first meeting was concerned with communication around the transition, and how to 'bring people along'.