



BIC Energy Ministerial Meeting, London

Thursday 12 February 2026

Communiqué

The British-Irish Council (BIC) held an Energy Ministerial meeting today, Thursday 12 February 2026, hosted by the UK Government in London.

A full list of Ministerial participants is enclosed.

Energy Work Sector Review 2022-2025

Ministers discussed and reviewed the Energy Work Sector 2022-2025 policy report and its activities across the period.

Ministers commended the work undertaken, which looked at: Decarbonising Heat; Offshore Renewables; New and Emerging Technologies and Local and Community Energy. Ministers welcomed the value of shared cooperation on each of these areas.

Ministers agreed that the Energy Work Sector Policy Report 2022-2025 would be published on the Council's website.

Energy Work Plan 2026-2027

Ministers reviewed and endorsed a new Work Plan for the Energy Work Sector, to be led jointly by the Scottish Government and UK Government, with a focus on the following priority areas:

- Public Acceptance
- Just Transition
- Supply Chains and Skills
- Peer Reviews

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List of Ministerial Delegates

Government of Guernsey	Deputy Adrian Gabriel, President of the Committee for the Environment & Infrastructure
Government of Ireland	Darragh O'Brien TD, Minister for Climate, Energy and the Environment and Minister for Transport
Isle of Man Government	Hon Clare Barber MHK, Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture
Government of Jersey	Deputy Steve Luce, Minister for the Environment
Northern Ireland Executive	Dr Caoimhe Archibald MLA, Minister for the Economy
	Gordon Lyons MLA, Minister for Communities
Scottish Government	Gillian Martin MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy
UK Government	The Lord Whitehead CBE, Minister for Energy Security and Net Zero
	Michael Shanks MP, Minister for Energy
Welsh Government	Rebecca Evans MS, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning