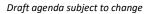
## Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum policy conference: Next steps for water markets in England and Wales *Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2025* \*\*\*Taking Place Online\*\*\*



- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 <u>Chair's opening remarks</u> Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 The current state of England and Wales' water markets and key findings from the Independent Commission on the regulatory system so far David Hall, Visiting Professor, University of Greenwich Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25
   The way forward for the Government's water sector review

   building partnerships between government, companies, customers and investors | developing effective regulation and the future role of

   Ofwat | addressing barriers to a successful review | setting clear outcomes and a long-term vision for the future | delivering

environmental, public health, customer and economic outcomes | reflecting on EFRA Committee Inquiry preliminary observations Professor Ian Barker, Director, Institute of Water Daniel Walker-Nolan, Director, Policy, Water UK Senior representative, investment Senior representative, consumers Senior academic

Questions and comments from the floor

- 10.15
   Ofwat's future strategy regulation and innovation in the water sector

   Helen Campbell, Senior Director, Ofwat

   Juliet Young, Chief Economist, Ofwat

   Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 Enhancing water infrastructure to meet long-term challenges Senior representative, infrastructure Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 Chair's closing remarks Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 <u>Chair's opening remarks</u> Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 Priorities for water companies environmental, customer and operational goals Cathryn Ross, Strategy and External Affairs Director, Thames Water Questions and comments from the floor

## 11.45 PR24 outcomes and strategic priorities for implementation

evaluating PR24's environmental and infrastructure commitments | managing costs and ensuring fair billing for consumers | balancing stakeholder collaboration with regulatory compliance | supporting water companies and addressing financial resilience | futureproofing the water sector for climate resilience Alison Smith, Senior Research Associate, Environmental Change Institute Nicola Williams, Partner, Eversheds Sutherland Senior representative, consumer Senior representative, finance Questions and comments from the floor

- 12.30 Environmental priorities for the future of the water sector Helen Wakeham, Director, Water, Environment Agency Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks Senior Parliamentarian Sean Cudmore, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum

