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DRAFT TIMETABLE FOR RSS REVISION

Year	Month	Sustainability Appraisal Process	RSS Revision Process	Related Research
2006	May			
	June	Brief for SA Issued	RPP to agree draft Project Plan (June 22nd)	Brief for Research Issued
	July	Consultants appointed - to prepare scoping report (establishing baseline and identifying reasonable options) by end of Aug	Publication of Draft Project Plan (consultation for 12 weeks)	Consultants appointed - to provide strategic overview and assessment of robustness of existing and emerging GTAAs to provide evidence base for RSS
	Aug		RPB to prepare 1st draft of options consultation document building on initial feedback from Project Plan consultation	
	Sept	5 week consultation with Statutory Authorities on Scoping Report		
	Oct	Scoping Report and response to it to be reported to RPP on Oct 26th. Initial appraisal of options to be consulted on to be worked up to be available alongside options consultation document	RPP (Oct 26th) to agree amended Project Plan and Draft Options Consultation Document	Assessment of need including suggested methodology for translating identified need into pitch provision requirement and indicative level of pitch provision requirement to be reported to RPP on Oct 26th.
	Nov	Refined Options Appraisal Report to be prepared (mid Nov - mid Jan)	Publication of Options Consultation Document (consultation period 8wks, mid Nov-mid Jan)	Further research to be conducted to address any shortcomings in evidence base identified (until mid Jan)
	Dec			

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2007	Jan			
	Feb		Early Feb RPP to consider response to options consultation, refined options appraisal and any further research and decide on favoured option	Any further research to be produced
	Mar	SA Report of favoured option and draft revision prepared	RPB to draft proposed RSS revision	
	Apr		Late Apr RPP to consider draft RSS revision alongside SA report of favoured option and any further research	
	May	SA Report on draft RSS to be finalised and published alongside	Draft RSS revision to be submitted to the Secretary of State alongside pre-submission consultation statement and SA Report and published for 12 weeks* consultation	
	June			
	July			
	Aug		Close of consultation	
	Sept			
	Oct		Draft list of Matters published	Contract to provide for possible assistance in preparing and presenting evidence at the EIP
	Nov			
	Dec			

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2008	Jan			
	Feb		<i>EIP</i>	
	Mar			
	Apr		<i>Panel Report</i>	
	May			
	June			
	July		<i>Proposed Changes</i>	
	Aug			
	Sept			
	Oct			
	Nov		<i>RSS revision issued</i>	
<p>* 12 week consultation period unless the Sec of State decides the draft revision constitutes a minor amendment in which case a 6 week period applies</p> <p>Stages in italics are to be led by Secretary of State timetable is indicative only. Role of RPB during consultation on submitted revision and in handling response to it still to be determined</p>				