

Chapter 6 - issues for discussion

As yet there is no text for chapter 6 and not even a detailed outline. This is where discussion has brought us to so far, though.

There should be a change of pace with chapter 6 being more outward looking, aimed at non-experts and users rather than just the technicians who will work on assembling accounts (who are presumed to be the main audience of the earlier chapters).

The main thrust of chapter 6 will be to take each of the techniques described in chapters 2 to 5 and give examples of their policy application including the strengths and weaknesses of each. There has been discussion about whether applications should be ordered by theme, environmental medium or agency advocating a particular policy application. With varying degrees of vehemence, though, these options have been rejected in favour of an application by application approach, basically following the order of the earlier chapters. *Does the group agree with this?*

As well as discussing the particular applications of the techniques in the earlier chapters, *should chapter 6 integrate the use of indicators and modelling into the description of policy uses?*

Quite a lot of the text presently included in chapters 3 and 5 relate to policy use. *Should this material be moved to chapter 6 leaving the earlier chapters to concentrate on a description of techniques?*

What specific examples exist in documented form concerning the resource accounts and balance sheet estimates described in chapter 2?

Are there specific studies other than NAMEA based ones to cite in relation to chapter 3?

What material is available demonstrating the use of the techniques described in chapter 4?

Should chapter 6 contain discussion of the arguments for and against estimates of "green GDP" and discuss how these can be constructed?