

Environment, Planning and Countryside Committee

Agenda (EPC(2)-12-06)

Meeting date: 28 September 2006

Meeting time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Meeting venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd, Cardiff Bay

Item 1: Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declaration of interests

Item 2: Minutes of the last meeting

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 11-06(mins) |
| Purpose: | To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 13 July 2006 |

Item 3: Minister's Report (9.30am – 10.15am)

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p1) |
| Purpose: | To report on developments within the Minister's portfolio. |
| In attendance: | Gareth Jones, Director of Environment, Planning and Countryside Department, Welsh Assembly Government |

Item 4: Report on Badger Found Dead Survey (10.15am – 10.45am)

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p2) |
| Purpose: | To consider the report on Badger Found Dead Survey. |
| In attendance: | Christianne Glossop, Chief Veterinary Officer, Welsh Assembly Government |

Item 5: Subordinate Legislation Forward Look (10.45am – 10.55am)

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p3) |
| Purpose: | To consider the Subordinate Legislation Forward Look |
| In attendance: | Alison Kitchener, EPC Business Unit, Welsh Assembly Government |

Item 6: Subordinate Legislation (10.55am – 11.05am)**The Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006**

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p4) |
| Purpose: | To scrutinise the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006 |
| In attendance: | Rosemary Thomas, Planning Division, Welsh Assembly Government |

The Feeding Stuffs (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p5) |
| Purpose: | To scrutinise the Feeding Stuffs (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2006. |
| In attendance: | Mike Pender, Head of Agriculture Branch, Food Standards Agency |

Break (11.05am – 11.20am)**Item 7: EU Biodiversity document (11.20am – 11.35am)**

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p6) |
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| Purpose: | To receive and discuss a Welsh Assembly Government stance paper on the EU Biodiversity Document |
| In attendance | Mike Dunn, Environment – Conservation & Management Division |

Item 8: Committee paper (11.35am – 11.45am)

Draft report of Committee’s consideration of the planning aspects of mobile telecommunications apparatus

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p7) |
| Purpose: | To consider the Committee’s draft report on the planning aspects of mobile telecommunications apparatus |

Evidence Session:

Item 9: Environment Strategy Action Plan – outcomes and funding; management of designated sites (11.45am – 12.30pm)

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| Paper: | EPC(2) 12-06(p8); EPC(2) 12-06(p9); EPC(2) 12-06(p10) |
| Purpose: | To take evidence on the Environment Strategy Action Plan |
| Witnesses: | <p>Chris Mills, Director - Environment Agency Wales</p> <p>Dr David Parker, Director of Science, Countryside Council for Wales</p> <p>Hazel Drewett, Head of Operational Support</p> <p>Rhian Gardine, Regional Operations Coordinator West</p> <p>Matthew Quinn, Environment – Protection and Quality Division, Welsh Assembly Government</p> |

Papers to note:

Consultation on EU convergence

EPC(2) 12-06(11)

Report of Committee's visit to Brussels
EPC(2) 12-06(p12)