

Environment, Planning and Countryside Committee

Agenda (EPC(2)-13-06)

Meeting date: 11 October 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

Paper:	EPC(2) 12-06(mins)
Purpose:	To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 28 September 2006

Item 3: Minister's Oral Update (9.30am – 9.45am)

Purpose:	To report on developments within the Minister's portfolio.
In attendance:	Gareth Jones, Director of Department for Environment Planning and Countryside, Welsh Assembly Government

Item 4: Consultation on the Dairy Strategy (9.45am – 10.00am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p1)
Purpose:	To consider the report of the consultation on the Dairy Strategy.
In attendance:	Norma Barry, Food and Market Development Division, Welsh Assembly Government Sion Aron Jones, Food and Market Development Division

Item 5: Targeting and Monitoring of Tir Gofal (10.00am – 10.30am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p2)
Purpose:	To consider how Tir Gofal payments are being targeted and Monitored
In attendance:	Dr Mike Dunn, Conservation and Management Division, Welsh Assembly Government

Item 6: Subordinate Legislation – The Sheep and Goat (Records, Identification and Movement) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2006 (10.30am – 10.40am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p3)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Order
In attendance:	Christianne Glossop, Animal Transport and ID Branch, Welsh Assembly Government

Item 7: Welsh Assembly Government Annual report on Equality of Opportunity (10.40am – 11.00am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p4)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the EPC Department's contribution to the promotion of Equality of Opportunity in the Welsh Assembly Government's Sixth Annual Report.
In attendance:	Gareth Jones, Director of Department for Environment, Planning and Countryside

Break (11.00am – 11.15am)

Video conferencing session:

Item 8: EU biodiversity document (11.15am-11.45am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p5)

Purpose:	To receive a presentation from DG Environment, European Commission, Brussels on the EC Communication on halting biodiversity loss and to question the official accordingly
In attendance:	Martjin Quinn, Cabinet Member, DG Environment, European Commission, Brussels

Evidence Session:

Item 9: ASPB Scrutiny – Environment Agency Wales (11.45am – 12.30pm)

Paper:	EPC(2) 13-06(p6)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Environment Agency Wales.
Witness:	Chris Mills, Director, Environment Agency Wales

Paper to note:

EPC(2)13-06 (p7) Letter from the First Minister - Notification to Subject Committees of Transfer of Functions Order