

# Petitions Committee

## Minutes (PET(3)-14-09)

**Date:** Tuesday 20 October 2009

**Time:** 09:34-09:47

**Venue:** Committee Room 1, Y Senedd, National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

### Assembly Members in attendance

Val Lloyd AM, Swansea East (Chair)

Michael German AM, South Wales East

Janet Ryder AM, North Wales

### Officials

Alun Davidson, Clerk

Andrew Minnis, Deputy Clerk

Joanest Jackson, Legal Advisor

### Others in Attendance

Gareth Pembridge, Legal Advisor

### Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

Apologies were received from Andrew RT Davies and Bethan Jenkins, for whom Janet Ryder attended as substitute.

### Item 2: New Petitions

#### (i) P-03-252 Opposing RAF St Athan Northern Access Road (Boverton residents)

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

#### Action

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the Deputy First Minister notifying him that the petition had been received

Write to the petitioners providing them with a copy of the Deputy First Minister's reply in relation to petition P-03-227 Access Road in Llanmaes and requesting their views

#### (ii) P-03-253 Adoption of private sewers (Carmarthenshire residents)

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

#### Action

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the Minister for Environment, Sustainability and Housing to request details of any plans for the adoption of private sewers on existing housing estates by Welsh Water and Severn Trent Water

Request a briefing note from the Members' Research Service

Write to all Assembly Members notifying them that the petition has been received and asking if there are any wider issues related to the petition that they might wish to draw to the Committee's attention

### Item 3: Updates to previous petitions

#### (i) P-03-172 Restore the Swansea-Cork Ferry

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

#### Action

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the petitioner asking to be kept updated on further progress towards securing the necessary additional funding and the commencement of the service

**(ii) P-03-205 Keep Abergavenny Livestock Market**

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

**Action**

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the Minister for Social Justice and Local Government asking him:

Whether he has considered amending the Abergavenny Improvements Acts as AMAL, the NFU and FUW have suggested

To notify the Committee as soon as he receives request for repeal, and that he provide details of the scope of the consultation exercise

To ensure that KALM and the other organisations that have contacted the Committee are included in any consultation exercise on the repeal of the Abergavenny Acts

**(iii) P-03-213/235 Abandon the badger cull petitions**

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

**Action**

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the petitioners notifying them of the planned debate on annulment of the Bovine Tuberculosis Order

**(iv) P-03-227 Access Road in Llanmaes**

The Committee considered an update to this petition.

**Action**

The Committee agreed to:

Write to the petitioner notifying them of the Deputy First Minister's response to the petition and seeking their views

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