

# Sustainability Committee

## Minutes (SC(3)-13-08)

**Date:** 18 June 2008

**Time:** 9:00 - 11:00

**Venue:** Committee Room 3

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Mike German (Chair), South Wales East  
Lorraine Barrett, Cardiff South and Penarth  
Alun Davies, Mid and West Wales  
Lesley Griffiths, Wrexham  
Alun Ffred Jones, Arfon  
Darren Millar, Clwyd West  
Brynle Williams, North Wales  
Leanne Wood, South Wales Central

### Committee Service

Virginia Hawkins, Clerk  
Joanne Clinton, Deputy Clerk

### Others in attendance

Peter Woodall, Head of Communications for Carrier Bag Consortium and Packaging and Films Association  
Basil Tucker, Member of Carrier Bag Consortium and Managing Director of Cardinal Packaging Ltd, Ebbw Vale  
James Tucker, Member of Carrier Bag Consortium and Director of Cardinal Packaging Ltd, Ebbw Vale

### Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Mick Bates and Karen Sinclair. Mike German attended the meeting as substitute for Mick Bates.

### Item 2: Consideration of petition P-03-063, calling for a ban on plastic bags

#### Paper: SC(3)-13-08 (p1)

2.1 The Chair welcomed Peter Woodall, Basil Tucker and James Tucker from the Carrier Bag Consortium to the meeting. The witnesses outlined the main points in their paper. Members questioned the witnesses.

### Item 3: Inquiry into carbon reduction in Wales: evidence session on industry and public bodies

#### Paper: SC(3)-13-08 (p2)

3.1 The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ieuan Wyn Jones AM, Deputy First Minister and Minister for Economy and Transport, and his officials, Claire Bennett and Tom Bourne. The Minister outlined the main points in his paper. Members questioned the Minister.

3.2 The Minister agreed to provide a written note on the allocation methods within the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme in Wales.

3.3 The Chair asked the Clerk to explore ways in which more scrutiny of the Welsh Assembly Government's activities in relation to reducing carbon emissions in the public sector and local government could be accommodated.