

Environment, Planning and Countryside Committee

Agenda (EPC(2)-14-06)

Meeting date: 26 October 2006

Meeting time: 9.30am – 1.00pm

Meeting venue: National Assembly for Wales, North Wales Visitor Centre Colwyn Bay

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

Item 2: Minutes of the last meeting

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

Item 3: Minister's report (9.30am – 10.00am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p1)
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: Scrutiny of draft budget (10.00am – 10.45am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p2)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Environment, Planning and Countryside draft budget.

In attendance:	Gareth Jones, Director of Department for Environment Planning and Countryside, Welsh Assembly Government
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Item 5: Report of CAP simplification conference and action plan on CAP simplification (10.45am – 11.00am)

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p3)
Purpose:	To consider the report of the CAP simplification conference and action plan on CAP simplification
In attendance:	Rory O’Sullivan, Head of Countryside Policy Division, Welsh Assembly Government

**Item 6: Subordinate Legislation (11.00am – 11.15am)
Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (Amendment) (Wales) Order 2006**

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p4)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Order
In attendance:	Rosemary Thomas, Head of Planning Division, Welsh Assembly Government

The Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2006

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p5)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Regulations
In attendance:	Rosemary Thomas, Head of Planning Division, Welsh Assembly Government

The Emissions Trading Scheme (Wales) Directions 2006

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p6)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Directions
In attendance:	Claire Bennett – Air and Environment Quality Branch, Welsh Assembly Government

Break (11.15am – 11.30am)

Evidence Session:

Item 7: Preparation and Progress of local development plans (11.30am – 12.00pm)

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p7), EPC(2) 14-06(p8), EPC(2) 14-06(p9), EPC(2) 14-06 (p10)
Purpose:	To take evidence from local authorities on the preparation and progress of their local development plans.
In attendance:	Bob Newton – Planning Division, Welsh Assembly Government Stan Yates – Principal Planning Officer, Conwy County Borough Council Jim Woodcock - Head of Planning Services, Anglesey County Council Cath Ranson, Planning Policy officer – Snowdonia National Park

Item 8: ASPB Scrutiny – Countryside Council for Wales (12.00pm – 1.00pm)

Paper:	EPC(2) 14-06(p11)
Purpose:	To scrutinise the Countryside Council for Wales.
Witness:	Roger Thomas – Chief Executive, Countryside Council for Wales