

**Agenda**

**Date:** Wednesday 15 May 2002  
**Time:** 2.00pm to 5.15pm  
**Venue:** Committee Room 1, National Assembly Building

**Item 1: Introduction apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

**Item 2: Minister's report**

The Committee will receive a report from the Minister for Rural Affairs.

**Paper:** ARD 08-02(p1)  
**Officials:** Huw Brodie, Director, Agriculture and Rural Affairs Department

**Item 3: Independent Appeals Mechanism**

To consider progress on the independent appeals mechanism

**Paper:** ARD 08-02(p2)  
**Officials:** Stephen Nicholls, CAP Management Division  
Julia Richards, CAP Management Division

A 15 minute break will be taken at approximately 3.30pm

**Item 4: *Diversifying the rural economy***

To consider the Cabinet's response to the Committee's report *Diversifying the rural economy*

**Paper:** ARD 08-02(p3)  
**Officials:** Jasper Roberts, Rural Policy Division  
Terri Thomas, Rural Policy Division  
Emyr Roberts, Economic Policy Division

## **Item 5: Committee's policy review of organic farming**

Young Farmers Clubs Wales

**Attendees:** Dafydd Jones, organic farmer  
Jonathan Rees, farmer in the process of organic conversion

## **Item 6: Minutes of the previous meeting**

To approve the minutes of the 1 May meeting

**Paper:** ARD 07-02(min)