

ENVIRONMENT, PLANNING AND TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 18 December 2002
Time: 9.15 am to 12.00 pm
Venue: Committee Room x, National Assembly Building

BIODIVERSITY REVIEW: DRAFT REPORT

Purpose

1. To invite the Committee to agree the text of its report on the review of local biodiversity action.

Background

2. At the last meeting on 4 December the Committee considered key themes arising from the review, and agreed on issues and areas for recommendation for inclusion in its report.

Draft report

3. Attached at **Annex A** is a draft text for the report, which will be bilingual (Welsh and English). The content of the report is as follows:

- **Chapter 1**, the **introduction**, sets out the terms of reference and review process, and summarises the contents of the report;
- **Chapter 2** sets the **policy background** to Local Biodiversity Action Plans (LBAPs);
- **Chapter 3** summarises the **key issues** arising from the review, sets out the Committee's views and makes recommendations;
- **Chapter 4** summarises the Committee's **recommendations**;
- The Annexes include respondents to the consultation (Annex 1), and an outline of progress in implementing LBAPs across Wales (Annex 2).

Timing

4. The Committee Chair is scheduled to present the report to plenary on 25 February 2003.

Recommendation

5. The Committee is invited to agree that the draft text at **Annex A**.

Committee Secretariat

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