

Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 25 February
2021

Meeting time: 14.00 – 17.00

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mike Hedges MS (Chair) Janet Finch-Saunders MS Llyr Gruffydd MS Neil Hamilton MS Jenny Rathbone MS
Witnesses:	Lord Deben, UK Committee on Climate Change Haf Elgar, Friends of the Earth Alexander Phillips, WWF Cymru
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk) Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk) Andrea Storer (Deputy Clerk) Chloe Corbyn (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 In accordance with Standing Order 34.19, the Chair stated that he had determined that the public were excluded from the Committee's meeting in order to protect public health.

1.3 The Chair stated that if for any reason he dropped out of the meeting, the Committee agreed that Jenny Rathbone MS would become Temporary Chair in accordance with Standing Order 17.22.

1.4 Apologies were received from Joyce Watson MS

2 Legacy work: Climate change – evidence session 1

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Rt Hon Lord Deben, Chair of the Climate Change Committee.

3 Legacy work: Climate change – evidence session 2

3.1 The Committee heard evidence from representatives of Friends of the Earth (FOE) Cymru and World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Cymru.

4 Paper(s) to note

4.1 The papers were noted.

- 4.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to the Committee's legacy work
- 4.2 Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to animal health and disease prevention
- 4.3 Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to UK Common Frameworks
- 4.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to The Organics (Amendment) Regulations 2021
- 4.5 Correspondence from the Chair, Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to the Official Controls (Temporary Measure) (Covid-19) (Amendments) Regulations 2021, and the Organics (Amendment) Regulations 2021
- 4.6 Correspondence from the Chair to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs in relation to the draft regulations on climate change
- 4.7 Correspondence from the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs regarding coastal defence schemes
- 5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting
 - 5.1 The motion was agreed.
- 6 Legacy work: Climate change – consideration of evidence heard under items 2 and 3
 - 6.1 Members considered the evidence heard under items 2 and 3.