

Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 6 February 2013**

Meeting time: **09:00 – 12:45**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Chair)
Mick Antoniw
Keith Davies
Russell George
Vaughan Gething
Llyr Huws Gruffydd
William Powell
David Rees
Antoinette Sandbach

Witnesses:

Ed Bailey, National Farmers' Union Cymru
Daniel Dalton, European Parliament ECR Adviser on agriculture
Keri Davies, Welsh Organic Group
Jill Evans MEP
Sue Evans, Country Land and Business Association
Nick Fenwick, Farmers' Union of Wales
Emma Hockridge, The Soil Association
Emily Keenan, The National Trust
Clr Dilwyn Roberts, WLGA Rural Forum
Dermot Ryan, Permanent Representation of Ireland to the EU
Derek Vaughan MEP
Arfon Williams, RSBP Cymru

Committee Staff:

Alun Davidson (Clerk)
Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)
Nia Seaton (Researcher)
Gregg Jones (Researcher)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Julie James. There were no substitutions.

2. Common Agricultural Policy reform proposals – Discussion with MEPs

2.1 The MEPs and Daniel Dalton responded to questions from members of the Committee.

3. Common Agricultural Policy reform proposals – update

3.1 Dermot Ryan responded to questions from members of the Committee.

4. Common Agricultural Policy reform proposals – round table discussion

4.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

5. Common Agricultural Policy reform proposals – round table discussion

5.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

6. Discussion of Business Committee's letter about committee timetables

6.1 The Committee discussed the letter from the Business Committee.