

Agenda – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 3 Senedd
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 13 December 2023

Meeting time: 09.30

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Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

Public meeting (09.30–11.30)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Transport scrutiny with the Minister for Climate Change

(09.30–10.30)

(Pages 1 – 38)

Julie James MS, Minister for Climate Change

Peter McDonald, Director Economic Infrastructure – Welsh Government

Ruth Conway, Deputy Director Public and Integrated Transport – Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Paper – Welsh Government

Break (10.30–10.40)



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3 Transport scrutiny with the Minister for Climate Change

(10.40–11.30)

Julie James MS, Minister for Climate Change

Peter McDonald, Director Economic Infrastructure – Welsh Government

Ruth Conway, Deputy Director Public and Integrated Transport – Welsh Government

4 Papers to note (11.30)

4.1 Cable ploughing

(Pages 39 – 44)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to A Thomas Plant Hire Ltd in relation to cable ploughing

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Climate Change in relation to cable ploughing

Response from the Minister for Climate Change to the Chair in relation to cable ploughing

4.2 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

(Pages 45 – 46)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the First Minister to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to Inter–Institutional Relations

Agreement: 40th British–Irish Council Summit

Letter from the Minister for Climate Change to the Chair in relation to the inter–institutional relations agreement

4.3 Sewage discharge and storm overflows

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Attached Documents:

Letter from Mr Wynne Jones to the Chair in relation to sewage overflows

4.4 Environmental Information Regulations in relation to Wales

(Pages 48 – 67)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Petitions Committee to the Chair in relation to Environmental Information Regulations in relation to Wales

Letter from Guy Linley-Adams to the Petitions Committee in relation to the Environmental Information Regulations in relation to Wales

4.5 Ffos-y-Fran opencast coal mine

(Pages 68 – 82)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Coal Action Network to the Chair in relation to Ffos-y-Fran opencast coal mine

Letter from the Coal Authority to the Welsh Government in relation to Ffos-y-Fran opencast coal mine

Ministerial advice in relation to Ffos-y-Fran opencast coal mine

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of today's meeting

(11.30)

Private meeting (11.30-12.00)

6 Consideration of evidence received under items 2 and 3

7 Consideration of the Committee's forward work programme – Spring 2024

(Pages 83 – 85)

Attached Documents:

Forward work programme