

Agenda – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 18 January 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

Public meeting (09.30–11.00)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Annual scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales

(09.30–11.00)

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Sir David Henshaw, Chair – Natural Resources Wales

Clare Pillman, Chief Executive – Natural Resources Wales

Prys Davies, Executive Director of Corporate Strategy and Development –
Natural Resources Wales

[Natural Resources Wales Annual Report and Accounts 2022–2023](#) (PDF 1 MB)

Attached Documents:

Paper – Natural Resources Wales

Annual Report and Accounts 2022–23 – Natural Resources Wales

Research brief – Annual scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales



3 Papers to note (11.00)

3.1 General scrutiny of the Minister for Climate Change

(Pages 30 – 44)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Climate Change in relation to the General Scrutiny of the Minister for Climate Change

Response from the Minister for Climate Change to the Chair in relation to the General Scrutiny of the Minister for Climate Change

3.2 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the First Minister to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement: British–Irish Council Summit in Dublin

3.3 UK Emissions Trading Scheme

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Climate Change to the Chair in relation to the UK Emissions Trading Scheme

3.4 UK – EU governance

(Pages 49 – 50)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Chair in relation to the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee’s inquiry into UK–EU governance

3.5 Water quality and sewage discharges

(Pages 51 – 54)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Natural Resources Wales to the Chair with additional evidence in

relation to the 9 November water quality and sewage discharges evidence session

3.6 Enhanced Nutrient Management Approach

(Pages 55 – 61)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Wales Environment Link – Land Use Group to the Chair in relation to Enhanced Nutrient Management Approach

3.7 Infrastructure (Wales) Bill

(Pages 62 – 76)

Attached Documents:

Welsh Government response to the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee Infrastructure (Wales) Bill Stage 1 Report

Letter from the Minister for Climate Change to the Chair in relation to the timetable for subordinate legislation arising from the Infrastructure (Wales) Bill

3.8 Ffos-y-Fran opencast coalmine

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Climate Change in relation to the Ffos-y-Fran opencast coalmine

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

(11.00)

Private meeting (11.00–12.00)

Break (11.00–11.10)

5 Consideration of evidence received under item 2

6 Consideration of draft report on performance of Dŵr Cymru

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Attached Documents:

Draft report on performance of Dŵr Cymru

7 Consideration of draft report on Priorities for the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee

(Pages 80 – 112)

Attached Documents:

Draft report on Priorities for the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee for 2024–26

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

(Pages 113 – 115)

Attached Documents:

Forward work programme