

# Agenda – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel  
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 13 June 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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## Hybrid

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**Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)**

**Public meeting (09.30–14.30)**

### 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

### 2 Inquiry on waste – evidence session with policy experts

(09.30–10.30)

(Pages 1 – 46)

Jemma Bere, Policy & Research Manager – Keep Wales Tidy

Gwen Frost, Director – Resource Futures

Keith James, Head of Policy & Insights – WRAP Cymru

Clarissa Morawski, Chief Executive Officer – Reloop UK and Ireland

Attached Documents:

Research brief – Waste and recycling in Wales

Paper – Keep Wales Tidy

Paper – Resource Futures

Paper – Reloop UK and Ireland

Paper – Benthyc Cymru

Paper – Repair Cafe Wales



**Break** (10.30–10.40)

**3 Inquiry on waste – evidence session with local government representatives**

(10.40–11.40)

(Pages 47 – 55)

Craig Mitchell, Head of Waste Support – Welsh Local Government Association

Paul Jones, Strategic Director – Newport City Council

Ashley Collins, Senior Manager of Waste and Recycling Services – Powys County Council

Attached Documents:

Paper – Welsh Local Government Association

**Break** (11.40–11.50)

**4 Inquiry on waste – evidence session with the Chartered Institute of Waste Management**

(11.50–12.40)

(Pages 56 – 60)

Ben Maizey, Chair – Chartered Institute of Waste Management

Lee Marshall, Director of Innovation and Technical Services – Chartered Institute of Waste Management

Attached Documents:

Paper – The Chartered Institute of Waste Management

**Lunch break** (12.40–13.20)

## **5 Inquiry on waste – evidence session with the Federation of Small Businesses**

(13.20–14.10)

(Pages 61 – 73)

Llyr ap Gareth, Head of Policy – Federation of Small Businesses Wales

Attached Documents:

Paper – Federation of Small Businesses Wales

## **6 Papers to note (14.10)**

### **6.1 Inquiry on waste**

(Pages 74 – 82)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs in relation to Waste – Circular economy strategy, Beyond recycling (March 2021)

Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to Waste – Circular economy strategy, Beyond recycling (March 2021)

### **6.2 Legislative Consent: Data Protection and Digital Information Bill**

(Pages 83 – 85)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Julia Lopez MP, Minister of State for Data and Digital Infrastructure at DSIT to the Chair of the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee in relation to the National Underground Asset Register

### **6.3 The Energy Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024**

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language to the Chair in relation to the Energy Act 2023 (Consequential Amendments) Regulations 2024

#### **6.4 Restoration of opencast mining sites**

(Pages 87 – 93)

Attached Documents:

Additional evidence from Sue Jordan, former Cross-Valleys Group – Swansea

Additional evidence from Merthyr Tydfil Heritage Trust

#### **6.5 Annual scrutiny of the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales (NICW)**

(Pages 94 – 98)

Attached Documents:

Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing, Local Government and Planning to the Chair in relation to the Committee's report: Annual scrutiny of the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales: 2023

#### **6.6 The UK Emissions Trading Scheme**

(Pages 99 – 100)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the UK Emissions Trading Scheme

#### **6.7 Establishment and remits of committees**

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Business Committee to the Chair in relation to Committee Remits following the recent reconfiguration of the Welsh Government Cabinet

#### **6.8 Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023**

(Pages 102 – 105)

Attached Documents:

Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the Retained EU Law (REUL)

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

(14.10)

**Private meeting (14.10-14.30)**

**8 Consideration of evidence received under items 2, 3, 4 and 5**

**9 Restoration of opencast mining sites**

(Pages 106 – 127)

Attached Documents:

Correspondence from residents regarding company guarantee

Correspondence from residents regarding coal license and liabilities

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