Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 1 May 2014

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.45

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members: Alun Ffred Jones AM (Chair)

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Julie Morgan AM William Powell AM

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Witnesses: Alun Davies AM, Minister for Natural Resources and Food

Kevin Austin, Welsh Government

Nicola Thomas, Welsh Government

Committee Staff: Alun Davidson (Clerk)

Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)

Nia Seaton (Researcher)

Elfyn Henderson (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Llyr Gruffydd. There were no substitutions.

2 Sustainable Land Management – Evidence from the Minister for Natural Resources and Food

- 2.1The Minister responded to questions from members of the Committee.
- 2.2 The Minister agreed to write to the Committee with further information on the data and monitoring project launched by Cardiff University.

3 Papers to note

3.1 The Committee noted the minutes.

Inquiry into the Welsh Government's proposals for the M4 around Newport - Friends of the Earth consultation response and legal advice

3.2 The Committee noted the paper and agreed to write to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport to seek clarification on the status of the consultation process.

Letter from Wales Environment Link – Climate Change

- 3.3 The Committee noted the letter.
- 4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for items 5 & 6
- 4.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.
- 5 Sustainable Land Management Consideration of evidence
- 5.1 The Committee discussed the evidence.
- 6 Marine policy in Wales Draft follow up letter to the Minister for Natural Resources and Food
- 6.1 The Committee agreed the letter.