

# Environment and Sustainability Committee

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

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 14 January 2015**

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Meeting time: **09.35 – 12.20**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Alun Ffred Jones AM (Chair)**  
**Mick Antoniw AM**  
**Jeff Cuthbert AM**  
**Russell George AM**  
**Llyr Gruffydd AM**  
**Julie Morgan AM**  
**William Powell AM**  
**Jenny Rathbone AM**  
**Antoinette Sandbach AM**  
**Joyce Watson AM**

### Witnesses:

**Carl Sargeant AM, The Minister for Natural Resources**  
**Sarah Dawson, Welsh Government**  
**Neil Hemington, Welsh Government**  
**Dion Thomas, Welsh Government**

### Committee Staff:

**Alun Davidson (Clerk)**  
**Peter Hill (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Lisa Salkeld (Legal Adviser)**  
**Graham Winter (Researcher)**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 There were no apologies.

### 2 Planning (Wales) Bill: Stage 1 – Evidence session 14

2.1 The Minister and officials responded to questions from members of the Committee.

2.2 The Minister agreed to provide:

- further information on how training opportunities for strategic planning will be delivered;
- examples of occasions when a planning application has been considered by both a national park authority and a local authority, with different conclusions;
- further information on links to statutory transport planning and marine planning; and
- a summary of the outcome of the consultation on Design in the Planning Process.

### 3 Papers to note

**Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources – 10 December**

3.1 Members noted the correspondence.

**Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources – 7 January**

3.2 Members noted the correspondence.

**Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources – 9 January**

3.3 Members noted the correspondence.

**Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Presiding Officer**

3.4 Members noted the correspondence.

**Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from Wales Environment Link**

3.5 Members noted the correspondence.

### **Planning (Wales) Bill: Additional evidence from the Law Society**

3.6 Members noted the additional evidence.

### **Planning (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from National Parks Wales**

3.7 Members noted the correspondence.

### **Planning (Wales) Bill: Additional evidence from the Home Builders Federation**

3.8 Members noted the additional evidence.

### **Planning (Wales) Bill: Additional evidence from Gwynedd Council**

3.9 Members noted the additional evidence.

### **Animal welfare: Correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Farming and Food**

3.10 Members noted the correspondence.

### **Correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources in relation to European Commission Reasoned Opinions**

3.11 Members noted the correspondence.

### **The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Older People's Commissioner for Wales**

3.12 Members noted the correspondence.

### **The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Bill: Correspondence from the Royal College of Physicians**

3.13 Members noted the correspondence.

## **4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**

4.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

## **5 Planning (Wales) Bill: Discussion of evidence**

5.1 Committee members discussed the evidence.