

# Environment and Sustainability Committee

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

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 4 March 2015**

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Meeting time: **09. 00– 12.30**

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## Concise Minutes:

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### Assembly Members:

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

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### Witnesses:

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**Carl Sargeant AM, The Minister for Natural Resources**  
**Rebecca Evans AM, The Deputy Minister for Farming and Food**  
**Andrew Slade, Welsh Government**  
**Matthew Quinn, Welsh Government**  
**Tony Clark, Welsh Government**  
**Graham Rees, Welsh Government**  
**Neil Hemington, Welsh Government**

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### Committee Staff:

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**Alun Davidson (Clerk)**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received Russell George. Andrew R T Davies attended as a substitute.

### 2 Scrutiny of the Minister for Natural Resources

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

2.2 The Minister for Natural Resources agreed to:

- Write to the Committee with regard to the prices paid by Gypsies and Travellers for energy and water, including how they could benefit from the Nest and Arbed programmes;
- Clarify the meaning of 'self-reporting' in relation to Arbed and Nest; and
- Update the Committee on the introduction of legislation to restrict the size of fishing boats in the 0–6 nautical mile area.

### 3 Scrutiny of the Deputy Minister for Farming and Food

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

3.2 The Deputy Minister for Farming and Food agreed to provide further information on assurances in relation to feed sources for large-scale dairy farms.

### 4 Papers to note

**Inquiry into energy efficiency and fuel poverty: Correspondence from the Minister for Natural Resources**

4.1 Members noted the correspondence.