

Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 8 November
2018

Meeting time: 10.30 – 13.00

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Mike Hedges AM (Chair) Gareth Bennett AM Jayne Bryant AM John Griffiths AM Llyr Gruffydd AM Joyce Watson AM Lesley Griffiths AM Hannah Blythyn AM
Witnesses:	Tim Render, Welsh Government Christianne Glossop, Chief Veterinary Officer, Welsh Government Dean Medcraft, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk) Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk)



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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 Apologies were received from Andrew RT Davies.

1.2 The Chair welcomed Llyr Gruffydd to the meeting who replaces Dai Lloyd as a permanent member of the Committee. The Chair thanked Dai Lloyd for his contribution to the Committee's work.

2 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for items three and four

2.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from the meeting for items 3 and 4.

3 Discussion of forward work programme

3.1 The Committee agreed to write to the Business Committee to request an extension to its reporting deadline on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Agriculture Bill.

3.2 The Committee considered potential inquiries for the spring term. It agreed to undertake an inquiry into biodiversity as soon as its work programme permits. The Committee will consider a scope and approach paper in due course.

4 Briefing on the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2019–20

4.1 The Committee received an oral briefing on the Welsh Government's draft budget 2019–20 from officials from the Assembly's Research Service.

5 Scrutiny of the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Minister for Environment on the Welsh Government's draft budget 2019 – 20

5.1 The Committee took oral evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Minister for Environment to inform its inquiry.

6 Paper(s) to note

The Committee noted the papers under item 6.

- 6.1 Correspondence between the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Chair – Follow up information from scrutiny session held on 4 October**
- 6.2 Correspondence between the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Chair – Consideration of the UK Government's Agricultural Bill**
- 6.3 Correspondence from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs – Consideration of the UK Government's Agriculture Bill – Meeting Invitation**
- 6.4 Correspondence between the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Chair – Carbon budgets and the decarbonisation programme**
- 7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for item eight**
- 7.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from the meeting for item 8.
- 8 Discussion of oral evidence**
- 8.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received under item 5.