

# Petitions Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 1 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Tuesday, 1 May 2012**

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Meeting time: **09:08 – 11:00**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**William Powell (Chair)**  
**Russell George**  
**Bethan Jenkins**  
**Joyce Watson**

### Witnesses:

**Steve Brown, Environment Agency Wales**  
**Kathryn Monk, Environment Agency Wales**  
**Tony Harrington, Welsh Water**  
**Fergus O'Brien, Welsh Water**  
**Julian Kirby, Friends of the Earth**  
**Haf Elgar, Friends of the Earth**  
**Katherine Simmons, Petitioner (Kyle's Goal)**  
**Emma Wools, Petitioner (Kyle's Goal)**  
**Dr Frances Gibbon**  
**Julie Smith, Headway**  
**Dr Cerilan Rogers, Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee**  
**Daniel Phillips, Welsh Health Specialised Services Committee**  
**Dr Chris Jones, Welsh Government**  
**Dr Heather Payne, Welsh Government**

### Committee Staff:

**Abigail Phillips (Clerk)**  
**Sarita Marshall (Deputy Clerk)**

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## 1. Introduction, apologies and substitutions

There were no apologies.

The Chair welcomed Dr Catherine Bochel, who was observing from the public gallery.

## **2. P-04-329 Control of noise nuisance from wind – discussion of site visits and evidence given on 28 February**

The Committee agreed to produce a short report on the subject of noise from wind turbines and request a Plenary debate.

### **3. New petitions**

#### 3.1 P-04-384 Link to M48 off B4245 Caldicot/Rogiet

The Committee considered the petition for the first time and agreed to await the Minister's response.

#### 3.2 P-04-385 Petition regarding balloon and lantern releases

The Committee considered the petition for the first time and agreed to await the Minister's response.

#### 3.3 P-04-387 Signage and Drainage on A467

The Committee considered the petition for the first time and agreed to await the Minister's response.

#### 3.4 P-04-388 Protect collective worship as a legal requirement

The Committee considered the petition for the first time and agreed to await the Minister's response.

### **4. Updates to previous petitions**

#### 4.1 P-04-365 Protect buildings of note on the Mid Wales Hospital site

The Chair declared an interest in the subject as the local councillor for Talgarth.

The Committee agreed to:

Write again to Cadw to suggest that it put temporary measures in place to protect such buildings until the Heritage Bill is passed;

Write to the Minister for Housing, Regeneration and Heritage to request that temporary protection measures are put in place until the Heritage Bill is passed;

Write to Brecon Beacons National Park Authority emphasising that the site is in a conservation area and to ask that any accepted planning application protects buildings of note in the conservation area.

#### 4.2 P-04-369 Against the proposed Cardiff to Newport Coastal Path

The Committee considered correspondence relating to the petition.

Joyce Watson declared an interest as a member of the RSPB.

The Committee agreed to follow up on its correspondence with the RSPB.

## **5. P-03-238 Pollution of the Burry Inlet – oral evidence session**

The witnesses answered questions from the Committee.

Welsh Water agreed to forward details of its surface water and sustainable urban drainage work in the area.

The witnesses agreed to respond in writing to any questions that could not be asked at the meeting due to time constraints.

## **6. P-04-341 Waste and Incineration – oral evidence session**

The witnesses answered questions from the Committee.

The witnesses agreed to forward relevant data and analysis on the impact of the recession on waste arisings.

## **7. P-03-295 Kyle Beere – Paediatric Neuro Rehabilitation – Round Table Discussion**

The witnesses answered questions from the Committee.

Bethan Jenkins declared an interest in having helped to set up the Port Talbot Headway service.

## **8. Papers to Note – further testimonials of effect of noise from wind turbines**

### **TRANSCRIPT**

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