Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 - Senedd

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Assembly Members:

Dafydd Elis-Thomas (Chair) Mick Antoniw Vaughan Gething Llyr Huws Gruffydd William Powell David Rees Antoinette Sandbach

Witnesses:

James Byrne, Wildlife Trusts Wales Rory Francis, Coed Cadw (Woodland Trust) Dafydd Jarrett, NFU Cymru Bernard Llewellyn, NFU Cymru Rhian A Nowell-Phillips, Farmers' Union Wales (FUW) Sharon Thompson, RSPB Cymru Ben Underwood, Country Land and Business Association

Committee Staff:

Alun Davidson (Clerk) Mike Lewis (Deputy Clerk) Alys Thomas (Researcher)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 Apologies were received from Keith Davies and Julie James.

2. The Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions) Order

2.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee on the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions) Order.

2.2 Wales Environment Link agreed to provide further information on the potential role for a stakeholder advisory group within Natural Resources Wales.

3. Papers to note
3.1 The Committee considered the letter from the Minister for Environment and Sustainable Development.