

Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 18 September
2024

Meeting time: 09. – 12.30

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Llyr Gruffydd MS (Chair) Janet Finch–Saunders MS Delyth Jewell MS Julie Morgan MS Carolyn Thomas MS Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Dr Richard Unsworth, Project Seagrass – Swansea University Professor Steve Ormerod, Cardiff University Dr Victoria Jenkins, Swansea University Annie Smith, RSPB Cymru Alex Phillips, WWF Chloe Wenman, Marine Conservation Society
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk)



	Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk) Lukas Evans Santos (Deputy Clerk) Katy Orford (Researcher)
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Julie Morgan MS for item 3.

2 Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030 – evidence session with academics

2.1 The Committee received evidence from academics.

3 Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030 – evidence session with environmental organisations

3.1 The Committee received evidence from environmental organisations.

4 Papers to note

4.1 The papers were noted.

- 4.1 Committee visit**
- 4.2 National Seagrass Action Plan proposal for Wales**
- 4.3 The Windsor Framework (Retail Movement Scheme: Plant and Animal Health) Regulations 2024**
- 4.4 Retained EU Law (REUL)**
- 4.5 Establishment and remits of committees**
- 4.6 Inquiry on waste**
- 4.7 Progress towards Wales' climate change commitments**
- 4.8 British–Irish Council Summit**
- 4.9 Legislative Consent: The UK Water (Special Measures) Bill**
- 4.10 Welsh Government's proposals for a Sustainable Farming Scheme (SFS)**
- 5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting**
 - 5.1 The motion was agreed.
- 6 Consideration of evidence received under items 2 and 3**
 - 6.1 Members considered the evidence heard under items 2 and 3.
- 7 Consideration of draft letter to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs in relation to the Committee's inquiry on waste**
 - 7.1 The Committee considered and agreed its draft letter.

8 Consideration of the Committee's forward work programme – Autumn 2024

8.1 The Committee discussed and agreed its Forward Work Programme.

9 Consideration of draft report on Interim Environmental Governance Measures in Wales

9.1 The Committee considered and agreed its draft report.