

Agenda – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel and video

Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 12 March 2025

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

Public meeting (09.30–12.00)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Annual scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales

(09.30–10.50)

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Ceri Davies, Acting Chief Executive Officer – Natural Resources Wales

Sir David Henshaw, Chair – Natural Resources Wales

Rachael Cunningham, Executive Director for Finance & Corporate Services – Natural Resources Wales

Natural Resources Wales Annual Report and Accounts 2023–2024 (PDF 2MB)

Attached Documents:

Research brief – Annual scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales

Paper – Natural Resources Wales

Paper – Natural Resources Wales Annual Report and Accounts 2023–2024



Break (10.50–11.00)

3 Storm response inquiry – evidence session with Natural Resources Wales

(11.00–12.00)

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Gareth O’Shea, Executive Director of Operations – Natural Resources Wales

Jeremy Parr, Head of Flood Risk Incident Management – Natural Resources Wales

Tim England, Operations Manager, Flood & Water Management – Natural Resources Wales

Attached Documents:

Research brief – Storm response inquiry

Paper – Natural Resources Wales

4 Papers to note (12.00)

4.1 Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030

(Pages 189 – 214)

Attached Documents:

Response from Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the Committee's report on Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030

4.2 Holyhead Port Storm Damage and Closure

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Attached Documents:

Response from the Chair to the Chair of the Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee in relation to the Holyhead Port Storm Damage and Closure Committee inquiry

4.3 Bus Services (Wales) Bill

(Pages 216 – 218)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales to the Llywydd in relation to the Bus Services (Wales) Bill

4.4 Restoration of opencast mining sites

(Pages 219 – 220)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Coal Action Network to the Chair in relation to the Committee's inquiry on the restoration of opencast mining sites

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

(12.00)

Private meeting (12.00–12.30)

6 Consideration of evidence received under items 2 and 3

7 Consideration of draft report on the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales (NICW)

(Pages 221 – 239)

Attached Documents:

Draft report on the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales – 2024

8 Consideration of draft report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Data (Use and Access) Bill

(Pages 240 – 245)

Attached Documents:

Draft report on the Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Data (Use and Access) Bill

9 Forward work programme

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Attached Documents:

Paper – Forward work programme