

Agenda – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel and video

Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 9 October 2025

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

Public meeting (09.30)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Papers to note (09.30)

2.1 UK Emissions Trading Scheme

(Pages 1 – 2)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change & Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the UK Emissions Trading Scheme (UK ETS) Authority

2.2 P-06-1506 We call for an end to further public funding for cycle paths and cycle Infrastructure in Wales

(Pages 3 – 4)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Petitions Committee to the Chair in relation to



Petition P-06-1506 (We call for an end to further public funding for cycle paths and cycle Infrastructure in Wales)

2.3 Rail investment announcements in the Comprehensive Spending Review 2025

(Pages 5 – 10)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales in relation to rail investment announcements in the Comprehensive Spending Review 2025

Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales to the Chair in relation to rail investments in Wales

Letter from the Chair to Lord Hendy of Richmond Hill CBE in relation to rail infrastructure following the UK Government funding announcements

2.4 Rulings on greener homes advertisement

(Pages 11 – 12)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Advertising Standards Authority to the Chair in relation to rulings on greener homes ads

2.5 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement

(Pages 13 – 21)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the First Minister of Wales to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the 43rd British-Irish Council Summit

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the 16 September meeting of the Transport Inter-Ministerial Standing Committee

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the 21 October Interministerial Group meeting on Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the 17 September

Interministerial Group meeting on Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change
Follow up letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair in relation to the cancellation of the 17 September Interministerial Group meeting on Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the 8 September meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Follow up letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the cancellation of the 8 September meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee in relation to the budget cover transfer between UK Government and Welsh Government

2.6 Announcement of the Dwr Cymru Welsh Water transformation programme

(Pages 22 – 23)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chief Executive of Dŵr Cymru to the Chair in relation to the announcement of Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water's transformation programme

2.7 The response to recent storms

(Pages 24 – 25)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Association of British Insurers to the Chair in relation to the Committee's report: The response to recent storms

2.8 Great British Energy

(Pages 26 – 27)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning to the Chair in relation to Great British Energy

2.9 Welsh Government staffing capacity and delivery of the Programme for Government

(Pages 28 – 29)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Chair of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee in relation to Welsh Government staffing capacity and delivery of the Programme for Government

2.10 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27

(Pages 30 – 36)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs in relation to the Welsh Government's draft budget 2026–27

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales in relation to the Welsh Government's draft budget 2026–27

2.11 Scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales

(Pages 37 – 38)

Attached Documents:

Response from the Chair to British Mountaineering Council Cymru in relation to the scrutiny of Natural Resources Wales

2.12 Independent Environmental Protection Assessor for Wales – SPA network in Wales

(Pages 39 – 44)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Independent Environmental Protection Assessor for Wales to the Chair in relation to work on the SPA network in Wales

2.13 Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill

(Pages 45 – 47)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change to the Chair following the 18 September meeting in relation to the Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill

2.14 Scrutiny of Transport for Wales

(Page 48)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair Transport for Wales to the Chair in relation to upcoming plans for Transport for Wales

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting and from the start of the meeting on 16 October 2025

(09.30)

Private meeting (09.30–10.30)

4 Bus Services (Wales) Bill – Order of consideration at Stage 2

(Pages 49 – 50)

Attached Documents:

Stage 2: Bus Services (Wales) Bill – Order of consideration

5 Chair's Forum consultation: Reviewing Committee Effectiveness in the Sixth Senedd

(Pages 51 – 63)

Attached Documents:

Paper – Reviewing Committee Effectiveness in the Sixth Senedd

Letter from the Chair of Business Committee to the Chair in relation to the Chair's Forum consultation: Reviewing Committee Effectiveness in the Sixth

Senedd

Letter from the First Minister for Wales to the Chair of the Chair's Forum in relation to the Chairs' Forum review of Committee operations in the sixth Senedd