

# Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee room 3 Senedd and video

Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 22 May 2025

Meeting time: 09.30 – 12.40

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## Hybrid

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Llyr Gruffydd MS (Chair) Janet Finch-Saunders MS Delyth Jewell MS Julie Morgan MS Carolyn Thomas MS
Witnesses:	Jason Prince, Urban Transport Group Llyr ap Gareth, Federation of Small Businesses (FSB) David Beer, Transport Focus Rhian Bowen-Davies, Older People's Commissioner, Older People's Commissioner for Wales Rocio Cifuentes, Children's Commissioner for Wales Barclay Davies, Bus Users Cymru Matt Goggins, South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Executive Nathan Owens, External Affairs Manager, Royal National



	Institute of Blind People Cymru
Committee Staff:	<p>Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk)</p> <p>Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Lukas Evans Santos (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser)</p> <p>Andrew Minnis (Researcher)</p>

## **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest**

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Joyce Watson MS.

## **2 Stage 1 scrutiny of the Bus Services (Wales) Bill – Evidence session with transport authorities**

2.1 The Committee received evidence from the Urban Transport Group and South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority Executive.

## **3 Stage 1 scrutiny of the Bus Services (Wales) Bill – Evidence session with passenger interests organisations**

3.1 The Committee received evidence from Transport Focus and Bus Users Cymru.

## **4 Stage 1 scrutiny of the Bus Services (Wales) Bill – Evidence session with civil society organisations**

4.1 The Committee received evidence from the Older People's Commissioner for Wales, the Children's Commissioner for Wales, Federation of Small Businesses Wales and Royal National Institute of Blind People Cymru.

## **5 Papers to note**

5.1 The papers were noted.

5.2 Delyth Jewell MS raised concerns about Ffos-y-Fran opencast coal mine. Members agreed to write to the Welsh Government and Natural Resources Wales.

**5.1 Annual scrutiny of the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales (NICW)**

**5.2 Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs**

**5.3 Halting and reversing the loss of nature by 2030**

**5.4 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement**

**5.5 The Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill**

**5.6 The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Amendment) Regulations 2025**

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

6.1 The motion was agreed.

**7 Consideration of draft letter to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs in relation to Welsh Government policies on Climate Change**

7.1 Members agreed the draft letter.

**8 The Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill**

8.1 Members considered and agreed the proposed timetable for scrutiny of the Environment (Principles, Governance and Biodiversity Targets) (Wales) Bill.