

# Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 20 June 2019

Meeting time: 09.15 – 12.45

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## Attendance

| Category          | Names                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Assembly Members: | Mike Hedges AM (Chair)<br>Andrew RT Davies AM<br>Llyr Gruffydd AM<br>Jenny Rathbone AM<br>Joyce Watson AM                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Witnesses:        | Alan Hunt, Natural Resources Wales<br>Ruth Jenkins, Natural Resources Wales<br>Ruth Chambers, Green Alliance<br>Dr Tom West, Client Earth<br>Rebecca Williams, Country Land and Business Association<br>Huw Thomas, NFU Cymru<br>Charlotte Priddy, Farmers' Union of Wales |
| Committee Staff:  | Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk)<br>Andrea Storer (Deputy Clerk)<br>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 Neil Hamilton AM

## **2 Environmental Principles and Governance post-Brexit – Evidence session 2**

2.1 The Committee received evidence from Alan Hunt, Senior Brexit Policy Advisor, Natural Resources Wales; and Ruth Jenkins, Head of Natural Resources Management Policy, Natural Resources Wales.

## **3 Environmental Principles and Governance post-Brexit – Evidence session 3**

3.1 The Committee received evidence from Ruth Chambers, Senior Parliamentary Affairs Associate, Green Alliance; and Dr Tom West, Law and Policy Advisor, Client Earth.

3.2 Green Alliance agreed to provide the Committee with examples of organisations that manage both advice and regulatory functions.

## **4 Environmental Principles and Governance post-Brexit – Evidence session 4**

4.1 The Committee received evidence from Rebecca Williams, Director Wales, Country Land and Business Association Cymru; Huw Thomas, Political Adviser, National Farmers Union Cymru; and Charlotte Priddy, Policy Officer, Farmers' Union of Wales.

## **5 Paper(s) to note**

5.1 The Committee noted the paper from Wales Environment Link.

**5.1 Correspondence from Wales Environment Link to the Chair – follow up from meeting on 6 June 2019**

**6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from item 7 of today's meeting**

7.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from items 7 of today's meeting.

**7 Environmental Principles and Governance post-Brexit – Consideration of evidence received under items 2,3 and 4**

7.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received under items 2,3 and 4.