

# Environment and Sustainability Committee

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Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 3 – Senedd**

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Meeting date: **Wednesday, 20 November 2013**

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Meeting time: **09:35 – 11:15**

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## Concise Minutes:

### Assembly Members:

**Mick Antoniw**  
**Russell George**  
**Llyr Gruffydd**  
**Julie James**  
**Julie Morgan**  
**William Powell**  
**Joyce Watson**

### Witnesses:

**Gideon Carpenter, Natural Resources Wales**  
**Ceri Davies, Natural Resources Wales**  
**Natalie Hall, Natural Resources Wales**

### Committee Staff:

**Alun Davidson (Clerk)**  
**Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)**  
**Lisa Salkeld (Legal Advisor)**  
**Elfyn Henderson (Researcher)**  
**Chloe Corbyn (Researcher)**

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## TRANSCRIPT

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## **1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions**

1.1 William Powell was elected temporary Chair in the absence of Dafydd Elis-Thomas.

1.2 Apologies were received from Dafydd Elis-Thomas and Antoinette Sandbach.

## **2 Hydro Power Flow Standards – Evidence from Natural Resources Wales**

2.1 Gideon Carpenter gave a presentation to the Committee on the scientific aspects of hydro power flow standards.

2.2 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee.

## **3 Papers to note**

**Draft Budget 2014 – 2015 : Response from the Minister for Natural Resources and Food**

3.1 The Committee noted the letter.

**Inquiry into the Welsh Government's proposals for the M4 around Newport – Letter of clarification from Wildlife Trusts Wales**

3.2 The Committee noted the letter.

## **4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for item 5**

4.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

## **5 Legislative Consent Memorandum – The Water Bill**

5.1 The Committee discussed the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Water Bill.