

Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 4 December
2019

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.45

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Mike Hedges AM (Chair) Andrew RT Davies AM Llyr Gruffydd AM Neil Hamilton AM Jenny Rathbone AM Joyce Watson AM
Witnesses:	Matthew Mortlock, Wales Audit Office, Wales Audit Office Mark Jeffs, Wales Audit Office
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk) Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk) Andrea Storer (Deputy Clerk) Chloe Corbyn (Researcher) Emily Williams (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2 Paper(s) to note

2.1 The Committee noted the papers.

2.1 **Correspondence from the First Minister to the Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee – answers to questions not reached at meeting on 16 September 2019**

2.2 **Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on Environmental Principles and Governance**

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

3.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from the remainder of today's meeting.

4 Consideration of the Committee's draft Annual Report on Climate Change (Decarbonisation)

4.1 The Committee discussed and agreed the draft Annual Report subject to a few minor amendments.

5 Consideration of the Committee's draft report on the National Development Framework 2020–2040

5.1 The Committee discussed and agreed the draft Report subject to a few minor amendments.

6 Consideration of draft letter to the Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs following the scrutiny session on 20 November

6.1 The Committee discussed and agreed the draft letter subject to a minor amendment.

7 Briefing from the Wales Audit Office – Fuel Poverty

7.1 The Committee received a briefing from Matthew Mortlock and Mark Jeffs from the Wales Audit Office to inform its inquiry into fuel poverty.

8 Consideration of the Committee's draft Forward Work Programme

8.1 The Committee discussed and agreed its Forward Work Programme.