

Concise Minutes – Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 26 September
2019

Meeting time: 09.15 – 12.15

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Mike Hedges AM (Chair) Llyr Gruffydd AM Neil Hamilton AM Jenny Rathbone AM Joyce Watson AM
Witnesses:	Sir David Henshaw, Natural Resources Wales Carys Bennett, People for Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) UK Ross Clubb, RSPCA Chris Draper, Born Free Foundation
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk) Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk) Katy Orford (Researcher) Emily Williams (Researcher) Katie Wyatt (Legal Adviser)



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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 Andrew RT Davies AM.

2 Wild Animals and Circuses (Wales) Bill – Evidence session 2

2.1 The Committee received evidence from Dr Carys Bennet, Senior Corporate Liaison – People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA); Dr Ros Clubb, Senior Scientific Manager, RSPCA; Dr Chris Draper, Head of Animal Welfare and Captivity, Born Free Foundation,

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from item 4 of today's meeting

3.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from item 4 of today's meeting.

4 Consideration of evidence received under item 2

4.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received under item 2.

5 Pre-appointment hearing for the new Chair, Natural Resources Wales – PUBLIC

5.1 The Committee conducted a pre-appointment hearing with Sir David Henshaw, the Welsh Government preferred candidate for the position of Chair, Natural Resources Wales.

6 Paper(s) to note

6.1 The Committee noted the papers.

6.1 Correspondence from the Future Generations Commissioner – invitation to contribute to Future Generations Report

7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from items 8 today's meeting

7.1 The Committee resolved to exclude the public from item 8 of today's meeting.

8 Consideration of evidence received under item 5 of today's meeting

8.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received in the pre-appointment hearing.

8.2 The Committee considered and agreed its report on the outcome of the hearing.