

Agenda – Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 10 December
2015

Meeting time: 09.30

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A note about this meeting

It is likely that only items 1 and 2 will be held in public and that items 3 to 8 will be held in private session.

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

(09:30–09:35)

3 European affairs

(09:35–10:00)

(Pages 1 – 23)

The Committee is invited to consider an update from the Research Service on the key European dossiers it is following.

4 A smarter energy future for Wales?

(10:00–10:30)

(Pages 24 – 26)

The Committee is invited to discuss its work to date in relation to the '*A smarter energy future for Wales?*' inquiry and emerging issues for consideration after the Christmas recess.

5 Legacy work

(10:30–10:45)

(Pages 27 – 30)

The Committee is invited to discuss its approach to legacy work.



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6 Finance Committee: Legacy consultation

(10:45–11:00)

(Pages 31 – 32)

The Committee is invited to consider whether it wishes to respond to the Finance Committee's consultation.

7 Draft Wales Bill: Draft letter to the Secretary of State

(11:00–11:15)

(Pages 33 – 38)

The Committee is invited to consider and agree a draft letter to the Secretary of State for Wales in relation to the Draft Wales Bill.

8 Fourth Assembly Committee Legacy: Draft letter to the Business Committee

(11:15–11:30)

(Pages 39 – 44)

The Committee is invited to consider a redrafted version of its draft letter to the Business Committee.

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Ann Jones AM, Chair CYPE Committee
Christine Chapman AM, Chair CELG Committee
William Graham AM, Chair E&B Committee
Alun Ffred Jones AM, Chair E&S Committee
David Rees AM, Chair HSC Committee

17 November 2015

Dear Committee Chairs

Finance Committee's legacy – Budget process and financial scrutiny of legislation

As part of the Finance Committee's consideration of its legacy, the Committee is reflecting on the arrangements for budget scrutiny and looking at the financial scrutiny of bills including the impact of the Committee's role.

As you are aware budget procedures will be changing during the next Assembly. However, the Committee would be keen to hear your views on the effectiveness of the overall approach to budget scrutiny in this Assembly. Members are interested in how successful you consider your committee has been in feeding into the process, how engaged stakeholders are with budget scrutiny and the appropriateness of timescales for the process, particularly those prescribed in [Standing Orders](#).

The Committee is also keen to hear your views on the effectiveness of financial scrutiny of legislation, including how your own committees have integrated financial scrutiny into the consideration of legislation and how helpful the outcome of Finance Committee's consideration of bills has been to your committee's scrutiny.

I look forward to receiving your views and would be grateful for a response by 8 January 2016.

Yours sincerely



Jocelyn Davies

Chair



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