

Y Pwyllgor Newid Hinsawdd, yr Amgylchedd a Seilwaith / Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee

Gohebiaeth mewn perthynas â Pharciau Cenedlaethol a'r Argyfwng Hinsawdd gan y Prif Weithredwr, Ymgyrch y Parciau Cenedlaethol at y Cadeirydd, y Pwyllgor Newid Hinsawdd, Amgylchedd a Seilwaith, drwy e-bost 15 Gorffennaf 2021 /

Correspondence in relation to National Parks and the Climate Emergency from the Chief Executive, Campaign for National Parks to the Chair, Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee, via e-mail 15 July 2021

To Llyr,

I'm writing to you from *Campaign for National Parks*, the only independent charity dedicated to campaigning to protect and improve National Parks in Wales and England. We work closely with National Park Societies and Authorities as well as partner charities such as *RSPB Cymru* to do this.

We were pleased to see the Welsh Government recognise the role and importance of National Parks in Wales and give them a 10% uplift in their core grant - something we've not seen across the border in England. This will not only help them cope with the influx of visitors during the pandemic, but also help them to innovate further.

National Parks and the Climate Emergency

As Chair of the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee and your proximity to Snowdonia National Park, I was hoping you might be interested in our new [National Parks and the Climate Emergency report](#) outlines the work underway in National Parks to mitigate against and address climate change and what more is needed to enable them to innovate further and scale up their efforts to help the Welsh Government meet its climate goals.

Significant changes are needed at both national and local level if National Parks are to take a leading role in tackling the climate emergency. The scale of change required will have far-reaching implications.

We have some clear recommendations for the Government which includes amending the statutory purposes of National Parks to place a bigger emphasis on tackling climate change. I've attached a summary report, or you can read the full report [here](#).

Further reading...

I also wanted to share a link to our [digital Viewpoint magazine](#), which features an article on our climate report, explores proposals for new National Parks - including the Clwydian Range and Dee Valley in Wales. Please don't share this link publicly as it's a members' and stakeholders' publication. We have a few hard copies of the magazine left if you'd prefer, just let me know and I'll get one sent out to you.

We hope that you find this report useful, please feel free to share it via your comms channels and let me know if you'd like to discuss any of this further.

Best wishes,

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