Environment and Sustainability Committee

Meeting Venue: Committee Room 3 - Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 12 January 2012

Meeting time: 09:15 - 11:45

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru National Assembly for

Wales

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Mick Antoniw
Rebecca Evans
Russell George
Vaughan Gething
Llyr Huws Gruffydd
Julie James
William Powell
David Rees
Antoinette Sandbach

Witnesses:

John Day, Lead Petitioner, P-04-024 Say No to TAN 8 - Windfarms and high voltage power lines spoiling our community

Huw Morgan, Montgomeryshire Against Pylons John Morgan, Cambrian Mountains Society

Peter Ogden, Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wales Neville Thomas QC, Shropshire and Mid Wales Alliance

Committee Staff:

Alun Davidson (Clerk)
Naomi Stocks (Clerk)
Catherine Hunt (Deputy Clerk)
Graham Winter (Researcher)
Nia Seaton (Researcher)

1. Election of Temporary Chair under Standing Order 17.22

1.1 The Committee elected Vaughan Gething as temporary Chair for this meeting and the afternoon meeting.

2. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

2.1 Apologies were received from Dafydd Elis-Thomas. There were no substitutions.

3. Inquiry into energy policy and planning in Wales – Evidence session on TAN 8

3.1 The witnesses responded to questions from members of the Committee on energy policy and planning in Wales.

4. Papers to note

4.1 The Committee noted the minutes of the meetings held on 1 December 2011, the letters from the Deputy Minister for Agriculture, Food, Fisheries and European Programmes and the additional written information on the inquiry into energy policy and planning in Wales.

5. Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for items 5 & 6

5.1 The Committee agreed the motion to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for items 5 & 6.

- 6. Inquiry into proposed reforms to the Common Agricultural Policy Draft report of the Common Agricultural Policy Task and Finish Group 6.1 The Committee agreed the draft letters from the Common Agricultural Policy Task and Finish Group to the Welsh Government and the European Parliament and Committee of the Regions Rapporteur.
- 7. Inquiry into the Business Case for the Single Environmental Body Agreement of terms of reference and appointment of expert advisers 7.1 The Committee agreed the terms of reference for its inquiry into the Business Case for the Single Environmental Body.
- 7.2 The Committee agreed to appoint Professor Terry Marsden and Professor Robert Lee as expert advisers to assist it with the inquiry. In doing so, Antoinette Sandbach expressed her preference that the Committee should be able to choose from a wider range of candidates.

Transcript

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