

Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee 1st Meeting, 2021 (Session 6), Tuesday 22 June 2021

Legacy Reports

Purpose

1. The Committee is asked to consider relevant parts of the legacy reports of three session 5 committees:
 - the [Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform \(ECCLR\) Committee](#);
 - the [Rural Economy and Connectivity \(REC\) Committee](#) and
 - the [Economy, Energy and Fair Work \(EEFW\) Committee](#).
2. As well as being linked to above, PDFs of these three reports have been sent to Members in their cover email for this meeting.

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3. At the end of a Parliamentary session, committees usually publish a “legacy report”, the aim of which is to pass on knowledge and experience, in terms of both policy and committee working practices, and to highlight matters the former committee thinks should be scrutinised during the next 5-year Parliamentary session. The legacy report is public but the main audience for it is intended to be the successor committee, or committees.
4. The remit of this Committee mirrors that of the [Cabinet Secretary for Net Zero, Energy and Transport](#), i.e the Committee’s role is to scrutinise matters within his remit. This is a new Cabinet role and a wide-ranging one. One of the matters the Committee may wish to seek to clarify in its early days are the exact parameters of the Cabinet Secretary’s new remit, perhaps particularly in relation to the remit of the new [Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs and Islands](#).
5. The session 5 committee remit with which this Committee’s remit is most closely aligned is that of the former ECCLR Committee. While most of the contents of the ECCLR Committee Legacy Report appear relevant to this Committee’s remit, it is worth noting that a number of matters it discusses may be more relevant to the remit of the new Rural Affairs, Islands and Natural Environment Committee.
6. In addition:

- paragraphs 51 to 64 of the EEFW Committee Legacy Report and certain aspects of its conclusion at paragraphs 92 and 93 relate to energy policy and are therefore directly relevant to this Committee's remit.
- paragraphs 57 to 61 and 82 to 111 of the REC Committee Legacy Report relate to transport policy and are also therefore directly relevant to this Committee's remit.

Action

- 7. The Committee is invited to note the three legacy reports relevant to its remit and to agree to take account of them in future work programme discussions.**

Clerk
18 June 2021