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Dear Delyth,

Thank you for your Written Question (WQ88325): *What were the findings of the full review of the Natural Resources Policy (NRP) that Net Zero Wales Carbon Budget 2 (2021 to 2025) stated should be undertaken in 2022 "to reflect the urgency of the climate and nature emergency"?*

In short, a number of important steps needed to be undertaken to adequately inform a review of this policy. We have taken forward a series of Deep Dive exercises and National Summits to identify clear short and long-term actions to secure the sustainability of Wales' natural resources. These include accelerating the deployment of renewable energy, increasing tree planting, delivering water quality improvements in SAC rivers and to restore biodiversity. These have been set out in Written Statements to the Senedd on [8 December 2021](#) , [12 July 2021](#) , [5 July 2022](#) and [3 October 2022](#) respectively.

There has been a fantastic response to this work from stakeholders across Wales. This has resulted in some very purposeful, rewarding national conversations about how we effectively manage our natural resources for both our current social, economic and environmental wellbeing and that of future generations. The output of these reviews will together provide the basis for completing the review of the Natural Resources Policy in 2024.

My officials will be working with a range of stakeholders such as Natural Resources Wales to ensure this is achieved.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie James". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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