



The one-hundred-and-fourth meeting of the Joint Nature Conservation Committee to be held at 0915 hours on 8 September 2015, Natural Resources Wales, Ty Cambria, Cambria House, 29 Newport Road, Cardiff, CF24 0TP

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Matters arising

This paper deals with points not covered by substantive items on the agenda. Reporting on action points from the June 2015 meeting is included in Annex 1.

Schedule 9 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981

JNCC has been working with Natural England, Natural Resources Wales and NGOs to review Schedule 9 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. To prevent the establishment of non-native species which may be detrimental to native wildlife in England and Wales, the Act prohibits the release of animals and planting of plants listed in [Schedule 9](#). This work is scheduled for completion in October 2015. Joint Committee are requested to delegate sign-off of JNCC's formal advice to government on the review of Schedule 9 to the JNCC Chair.

Annex 1. Action points from the June 2105 Committee meeting

Agenda item	Action point	Status
5.6 Chief Executive's report on topical issues (JNCC 15 17)	1. JNCC to meet with country nature conservation bodies to discuss how natural capital work can be taken forward across the UK.	Ongoing in various fora.
7.5 End of year performance report for 2014/15 (JNCC 15 14)	2. JNCC to review performance reporting at the end of Quarter 1.	EMB has reviewed approach to RAG assessment of priority performance measures. The quarter 1 performance report is on the agenda for the September Committee meeting.
7.8 End of year performance report for 2014/15 (JNCC 15 14)	3. Ms Davies to share Natural Resources Wales' performance summary approach with JNCC.	Completed.
8.7 Corporate planning for 2016/17 and beyond (in confidence) (JNCC 15 16)		
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9.3 Update on strategy development and implementation (in confidence) (JNCC 15 21)		
11.5 Protecting Scotland's Seas presentation	7. The Marine pressures and Impacts team to feedback to Committee on questions raised following the protecting Scotland's Seas presentation.	Ongoing.
16.5 Annual report from the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (JNCC15 13)	8. The ARAC to review work on evidence quality assurance and feedback to Committee.	Ongoing as part of ARAC's work programme. Feedback will be provided to Committee at appropriate times.
16.4 Annual report from the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee (JNCC 15 13)	9. Professor Kaiser to meet with Mr Yeo to discuss risk reporting.	Completed.