TRANSPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA

1st Meeting, 2001 (Session 1)

Wednesday 17 January 2001

The Committee will meet at 9.30 am in Committee Room 1 to consider the following agenda items:

1. Water Inquiry (in private): The Committee will consider possible lines of questioning for witnesses on its inquiry into water and the water industry.

Not before 9.45 pm

2. Declarations of Interests: The Convener will invite new members of the Committee to declare any relevant interests.

3. Item in Private: The Committee will decide whether to take item 7 in private.

4. Subordinate Legislation: The Committee will consider the following negative instruments—

   The Financial Assistance for Environmental Purposes (Scotland) Order 2000 (SSI 2000/430)

   The Control of Pollution (Registers and Consents for Discharges) (Secretary of State Functions) Amendment Regulations 2000 (SSI 2000/432)

5. Water Inquiry: The Committee will take evidence as part of its inquiry into water and the water industry from—

   Scottish Environment Protection Agency

   Caroline Davies, Wetland Policy Officer, RSPB Scotland (Scottish Environment Link)

   Ian Findlay, Director of Conservation, Scottish Wildlife Trust (Scottish Environment Link)
6. **Telecommunications Developments**: The Committee will consider its response to the Scottish Executive’s consultation on proposed changes to permitted development arrangements for telecommunications developments.

7. **Water Inquiry**: The Committee will consider possible fact-finding visits to be undertaken in connection with the inquiry.

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Members may wish to bring to the meeting copies of the SPICe Research Note RN 00/111 on the Scottish Executive Consultation Telecommunications Developments, and the Executive’s consultation on proposed changes to permitted development arrangements for telecommunications developments – these have previously been circulated.