



Recent Developments in Climate Change and Clean Energy in Wales

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Institutional/Constitutional Context

○ Devolution

- The Status of the Welsh Assembly: Government of Wales Act 1998 (GoWA 1998)
- Change Immanent: Government of Wales Act 2006 (GoWA 2006)

○ Responsibilities/Competence related to energy

The Welsh Assembly and Sustainable Development

- s121 of the GoWA 1998 – ‘The Sustainable Development Duty’
- s79 of the GoWA 2006 – ‘the Sustainable Development Duty’ restated
- s60 of the GoWA 2006 – ‘the power to promote well-being’

The Welsh Assembly Government Policy Context

General

- 'Wales: A Better Country' – the Strategic Agenda
- 'Starting to Live Differently' – the Sustainable Development Scheme and Action Plan
- Environment Strategy for Wales
- Wales Spatial Plan

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Energy Policy

- Energy Saving Wales
- Energy Wales Route-map
- Microgeneration Action Plan
- Responding to our Changing Climate (Consultation)

Energy in Wales

- The Energy Legacy
- The Current Situation
- Future goals

The Next Administration

- Welsh Assembly Elections 03/05/07
- The Major Parties' Manifesto Commitments on Energy
 - Labour
 - Plaid Cymru
 - Liberal Democrats
 - Conservatives

The Future?

- Can the next administration deliver?
- The crucial question: the role of the GoWA 2006
 - Who will be in the driving seat Westminster/Wales?