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| **TITLE**  | **Appointment of Chair to the Board of Natural Resources Wales** |
| **DATE**  | **09 October 2019**  |
| **BY** | **Lesley Griffiths AM, Minister for Environment, Energy & Rural Affairs** |

Further to my statement on 15 August, I am pleased to announce I have appointed Sir David Henshaw as Chair to the Board of Natural Resources Wales. The appointment will commence on 1 November 2019 for a period of 4 years, ending on 31 October 2023.

I am grateful to all those who applied for the role, helping to ensure it was a competitive and rigorous exercise. This included Sir David’s attendance at a pre-appointment hearing before the Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committee on 26 September. I am grateful to the Committee for such productive engagement with my officials during the recruitment process.

Sir David has a proven track record in providing strong Board level leadership and transformation. His appointment will enable the organisation to continue to build on the good progress made since his appointment as interim Chair.

The appointment is remunerated at an annual rate of £46,800 for a minimum time commitment of 72 days per year.

**Notes**

This appointment was made in accordance with the Commissioner for Public Appointments’ Code of Practice for Ministerial Appointments to Public Bodies. All appointments are made on merit and political activity plays no part in the selection process. However, in accordance with the original Nolan recommendations, there is a requirement for appointees’ political activity (if any declared) to be made public.

No political activity has been declared.