

Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru Pwyllgor Amgylchedd a Chynaliadwyedd	National Assembly for Wales Environment and Sustainability Committee
Egwyddorion cyffredinol Bil yr Amgylchedd (Cymru)	General principals of the Environment (Wales) Bill
Ymateb gan Tidal Lagoon Power	Response from Tidal Lagoon Power
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Consultation: General principles of the Environment (Wales) Bill

Tidal Lagoon Power aims to drive a critical change in the UK's energy mix by developing infrastructure to harness natural power from the abundant natural resource of the rise and fall of the tides.

Tidal Lagoon Power welcomes the introduction of the Environment (Wales) Bill to promote the sustainable management of natural resources. We recognise the Bill cannot exhaustively list what might be defined as natural resources, though tidal, wind and wave natural resources seem to be notable omissions.

We support the introduction of legislation to address climate change and greenhouse gas emissions through statutory emissions targets, and milestones by way of interim emission targets. This is an opportunity for Welsh Ministers to lead the way on more ambitious targets to take action on climate change.

Further opportunities include the integration of climate change with natural resource management, reflecting the fundamental influence that climate change has on the management of natural resources; the mainstreaming (through legislation) efforts to adapt to climate change; and a statutory recognition that climate change adaptation and mitigation actions are complementary¹.

The Bill is also an opportunity to clarify marine license processes and introduce statutory timescales.

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Yours sincerely

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¹ Pages 51 and 14: Climate Change Annual Report, December 2014, Welsh Government.