**Raising a concern about the functioning of environmental law for the Interim Environmental Protection Assessor for Wales (“the Interim Assessor”):**

**Submission Form**

**Your requirements**

If you have specific needs with regard to completing this form, for example if English or Welsh is not your first language or you need a larger print, please contact us at IEPAW@gov.wales so we can discuss how we might help you.

**Section 1 – Submission instructions**

Before completing this form, we advise you read our website [*Raising a concern about the functioning of environmental law*](https://gov.wales/raising-concern-about-functioning-environmental-law)which describes the Interim Assessor’s role.

The Interim Assessor can only address concerns related to the functioning of environmental law which are included under these three categories:

1. The law does not deliver the intended objectives and outcomes.
2. Guidance or information about the law is not accessible.
3. Practical delivery of the law is impeded.

If your concern **does not** fall under one of these categories, or is about breaches of the law or the resources required to enforce the law, the Interim Assessor will not be able to address your concern. The Interim Assessor is also unable to review any concerns that are currently subject to court proceedings or Judicial Review. Please see our website [*Raising a concern about the functioning of environmental law*](https://gov.wales/raising-concern-about-functioning-environmental-law) for more information on where to get help with your concern.

If your concern **does** fall under one of the above categories, please complete the following sections and submit this form, along with any required supporting evidence, to [IEPAW@gov.wales](mailto:IEPAW@gov.wales). Please note if the following sections aren’t completed the Interim Assessor may not be able to consider your concern.

Your concern will be dealt with anonymously by the Interim Assessor. By submitting this document, you are giving your permission for this information to be published anonymously with your name and personal details removed.

**Section 2 - Details of your concern**

Q1. Please provide a brief summary of your concern:

Q2. Which of these three categories best describes your concern? You may select more than one category if appropriate.

1. The law does not deliver the intended objectives and outcomes.
2. Guidance or information about the law is not accessible.
3. Practical delivery of the law is impeded.

Q3. Please explain why your concern fits into the category(ies) you selected in response to Q2:

Q4. Please provide details of the environmental legislation related to your concern, being as specific as possible. This could include the name of the Act(s), Regulations(s), guidance, case law or other relevant documents. Please indicate the relevant section(s) or clause(s), if possible.

Q5. Please provide and describe as much evidence as possible in support of your submission to demonstrate that the environmental legislation referred to above is not functioning in Wales. This includes evidence such as documents, correspondence, media articles, statements of fact, photographs or legal advice. If possible, provide details by an attachment, an internet link or references in this form.

**Section 3 - More information about your concern**

Q6. What environmental impact(s) are associated with your concern? For example, what kind of environmental harm may occur if your concern is not addressed? Please provide any relevant information on the severity of the issue that the Interim Assessor may need to be aware of.

Q7. Please provide any evidence below to support your response to Q6. For example, data, statistics and an indication of whether the concern is localised or has an impact across Wales.

Q8. Does your concern have any impact outside of Wales? If so, please provide details.

Q9. Are you aware of any ongoing investigations related to your concern? For example, by a Senedd Committee, a research organisation or an environmental charity. Please include any details of these investigations below:

Q10. Have you reported your concern(s) to another organisation such as a regulator or local authority?

Yes  No

Q11. If you answered **Yes** to Q10, please provide details of which organisation you reported your concern to, the date you reported it, and the outcome of your report. If possible, please provide supporting evidence for this reporting process in the box below via an attachment or an internet link or references in this form.

Q12. What action(s) would you like to be taken in response to your submission? For example, would a change to current legislation address your concern? Please provide details of these actions below:

**Section 4 – Contact Details**

Please provide your contact details, including your name and a contact email address and/or postal address.

We will only use this personal data in accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation to deal with your request and any matters arising from it. Our [Privacy Notice](https://gov.wales/welsh-government-privacy-notice) tells you what to expect when you contact us and provide us with your personal information.

1. Full Name:
2. Organisation Name (if applicable):
3. Email address:

**To submit your concern to the Interim Assessor, please send this completed form and any supporting evidence to** [**IEPAW@gov.wales**](mailto:IEPAW@gov.wales)**.**

**On submission of this form you will receive a unique reference number which should be included in any further correspondence.**

**The Interim Assessor will provide a response to your submission within 20 working days. If there are any time limiting factors or particular urgency in relation to your concern (for example a Judicial Review process) which necessitates a quicker response, please provide details below. Although we cannot guarantee a response quicker than 20 working days, we will endeavour to respond as soon as possible:**