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Dear Sandy

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Thank you for the response you made to my statement in the above debate.

'Energy Saving Wales' aims to increase the level of interest in energy efficiency among the people of Wales, in domestic, business and public sectors. It also aims to highlight the work of the agencies already engaged in promoting energy efficiency in Wales and provide a pragmatic and illustrative approach energy efficiency practices. Finally it makes the link between energy use and climate change which is of increasing interest and concern today.

You raised a question about how evaluation and monitoring will take place. At present most energy usage and carbon emission data aligns Wales with England. Extrapolation of Wales only figures would be required for accurate evaluation, and hence monitoring, to be undertaken. The agencies already involved in energy efficiency and renewable energy promotion are numerous and diverse and obviously work to their own remit. The main agency for delivery of carbon emission reduction on the non-domestic side is the Carbon Trust which has commissioned a study to try to identify a Wales 'baseline'. The results of this are expected in the New Year and will help to direct their future programme of activities in Wales.

The Welsh Assembly Government is required to report on progress one year from publication of the 'Energy Saving Wales' document when an update on activities in the form of an annual report will be provided.

I hope this response answers your specific concerns.



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