



## CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT – BOARD MEETING JULY 2016 NRW B B 48.16

- Meetings** – Since the last Board meeting I have undertaken the following meetings/ visits (not included in the Chair’s report):
  - Wildlife Trusts Senior Managers – our Executive Team met with the senior managers of the Wildlife Trusts in Wales, sharing information about current issues and thinking.
  - Ramblers Cymru – I met with the leadership of Ramblers Cymru, where we identified areas for closer working
  - Welsh Ports reception – we have further meetings arranged with the senior executives of Welsh Ports.
  - IWA Conference – I spoke at the IWA conference on “Doing Business in Wales: the Changing Landscape” on the implications of the Environment Act for businesses.
  - I visited the NRW Neath Port Talbot / Bridgend Natural Resources Management team and saw four of our current projects – Resolven biodiversity project, Nant **Melyn** opencast coal site, **Cregyn peat bog restoration**, **Coedtir Ysbryd y Llynfi**.
- Linked Charities** – I am pleased to report that we have agreed our linked charities for 2016-17 – Size of Wales, Water Aid, Tree Aid. We are currently working on our internal communications regarding the charities.
- Universities** – I have reported previously on signing a Memorandum of Understanding with Universities Wales, and I am pleased to say that NRW is now a member of WHELP (Welsh Higher Education Libraries Forum), which will enhance the Information Services access we have to external research resources and allows us to reciprocate.

**Emyr Roberts**

**21 June 2016**