

By email only

Steve Micklewright Trees for Life Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee

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Dear Mr Micklewright,

**CONSIDERATION OF PETITION: PE1815: Translocate protected beavers** to reduce licensed killing

The Net Zero, Energy and Transport Committee considered your petition on 28 June 2022.

At that meeting, the Committee agreed to close your petition under Rule 15.7 of Standing Orders on the basis that the Scottish Government has changed its position on translocation and that NatureScot has stated it now expects to see a much greater proportion of licensed translocations and a much smaller proportion of beavers being removed by lethal control.

The Committee however agreed to maintain an interest in the National Beaver Strategy and to consider this at an appropriate point in its work programme.

In reaching its decision, the Committee took into account the information contained in your petition, as well as correspondence and written submissions.

The Official Report for the meeting is available <u>here</u>. A recording of the meeting is available to view <u>online</u>.

The Committee would welcome feedback on your experience of the petitions process. I attach a feedback form and would be grateful if this could be returned to the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee at Petitions.committee@parliament.scot.

On behalf of the Committee, I would like to thank you for petitioning the Scottish Parliament.

Yours sincerely,

Dean Lockhart MSP

Convener

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