

Concise Minutes – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 5 Ty Hywel
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 1 March 2023

Meeting time: 09.32 – 11.57

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Darren Millar MS (Temporary Chair) Hefin David MS Luke Fletcher MS Vikki Howells MS Samuel Kurtz MS Sarah Murphy MS
Witnesses:	Lesley Griffiths MS, Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd Edel Moroney, Welsh Government Elizabeth Thomas, Welsh Government Gareth Bullock, Development Bank of Wales Rhian Elston, Development Bank of Wales David Staziker, Development Bank of Wales Giles Thorley, Development Bank of Wales



Committee Staff:	<p>Rob Donovan, Clerk</p> <p>Lara Date, Second Clerk</p> <p>Evan Jones, Deputy Clerk</p> <p>Ceri Thomas, Committee Support Officer</p> <p>Jennifer Cottle, Legal Adviser</p> <p>Katy Orford, Researcher</p> <p>Ben Stokes, Researcher</p>
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies had been received from Paul Davies MS.

2 Papers to note

- 2.1 The Committee noted the papers.
- 2.1 **Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd to the Chair of the Finance Committee**
- 2.2 **Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd**

3 Food (Wales) Bill: Evidence session 7

- 3.1 The Committee heard evidence from the panel.

4 Annual Scrutiny – The Development Bank of Wales

- 4.1 The Committee heard evidence from the panel.
- 4.2 The panel agreed to write to the Committee to provide clarification on whether the carbon offsetting company that the Development Bank of Wales uses is involved in the purchasing of Welsh farmland.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

5.1 The Motion to exclude the public for the remainder of the meeting was agreed.

6 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.