

Agenda – Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2, Senedd

Meeting date: 11 January 2024

Meeting time: 09.30 – 14.15

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Pre-meeting registration

(09.15 – 09.30)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: evidence session with the Minister for Education and Welsh Language

(09.30 – 11.00)

- Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and Welsh Language, Welsh Government
- Owain Lloyd, Director of Education and the Welsh Language, Welsh Government
- Bethan Webb, Deputy Director Cymraeg 2050 Division, Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

- Research Brief: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: Minister for Education and Welsh Language
- Letter from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – 20 December 2023



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- Welsh Government: Evidence paper on Draft Budget 2024–25 – Welsh Language budgets within the Education and Welsh Language Main Expenditure Group

3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from items 4, 5, 6, 7, and 10 of the meeting
(11.00)

Break

(11.00 – 11.05)

4 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: consideration of evidence
(11.05 – 11.20)

5 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: scrutiny of the Welsh Government budget for international relations
(11.20 – 11.45) (Pages 1 – 18)

Attached Documents:

- Research Brief: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – First Minister
- Response from the First Minister: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – 20 December 2023

6 Welsh Government international relations: ways of working proposal regarding overseas visits
(11.45 – 11.50) (Page 19)

Attached Documents:

- Briefing note: Overseas visits – proposal on ways of working

Lunch

(11.50 – 12.35)

7 Allegations concerning bullying at S4C: evidence session briefing

(12.35 – 13.00)

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Attached Documents:

- Legal advice note: Allegations concerning bullying at S4C

8 Allegations concerning bullying at S4C: evidence session with S4C

(13.00 – 14.00)

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- Rhodri Williams, Chairman, S4C
- Chris Jones, Lead Non-Executive Member, S4C

Attached Documents:

- Research brief: Allegations concerning bullying at S4C
- Capital Law report: A Report into the working environment and atmosphere at S4C – 6 December 2023
- Letter to BECTU: Allegations concerning bullying at S4C – 20 December 2023
- Response from BECTU: Allegations concerning bullying at S4C – 5 January 2024

9 Papers to note

(14.00)

9.1 Arts Council of Wales: Investment Review

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Attached Documents:

Arts Council of Wales: Investment Review – Making an Appeal

Arts Council of Wales: Investment Review – Appeal form

Arts Council of Wales: Investment Review – Appeals process summary –
National Theatre Wales

Correspondence from Grass Under Foot: Arts Council of Wales: Investment
Review – 14 December 2023

Letter from National Theatre Wales: Arts Council of Wales: Investment Review
– 20 December 2023

9.2 Scrutiny of the National Library of Wales

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Attached Documents:

- Letter to the National Library of Wales: General scrutiny of the National Library of Wales – 13 December 2023

9.3 Scrutiny of Sport Wales

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Attached Documents:

- Letter from Sport Wales: Scrutiny of Sport Wales – 7 December 2023
- Letter to Sport Wales: Annual Scrutiny of Sport Wales – 13 December 2023
- Response from Sport Wales: Annual Scrutiny of Sport Wales – 3 January 2024

9.4 Scrutiny of the Welsh Language Commissioner

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Attached Documents:

- Letter to the Welsh Language Commissioner: Annual scrutiny follow-up – 5 December 2023
- Response from the Welsh Language Commissioner: Annual scrutiny follow-up – 15 December 2023

9.5 British–Irish Council Summit

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Attached Documents:

- Letter to the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee from the First Minister: Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement: British–Irish Council Summit in Dublin – 15 December 2023

9.6 Baden–Württemberg: Shared Statement of Cooperation

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Attached Documents:

- Letter to the First Minister: Baden–Württemberg: Shared Statement of Cooperation – 19 December 2023

9.7 Culture and the new relationship with the EU

(Pages 95 – 108)

Attached Documents:

- Entourage Pro: Brexit and Pandemic Impact Report – 'Then & Now' 2019–2023 (Saesneg yn unig)

9.8 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25

- Finance Committee Consultation: [Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25 – responses pack](#) [PDF 26MB]

9.9 HSBC UK Welsh Service Line

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Attached Documents:

- Letter from the Welsh Language Commissioner to HSBC UK: HSBC UK Welsh Service Line – 8 November 2023
- Letter to HSBC UK: HSBC UK Welsh Service Line – 11 December 2023
- Response from HSBC UK: HSBC UK Welsh Service Line – 21 December 2023
- Letter to the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: HSBC UK Welsh Service Line – 11 December 2023
- Letter from the Welsh Language Commissioner to HSBC UK: HSBC UK Welsh Service Line – 21 December 2023

9.10 UK–EU Governance

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Attached Documents:

- Letter from the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee: UK–EU Governance – 19 December 2023

9.11 Books Council of Wales magazine funding model

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Attached Documents:

- Letter to the Books Council of Wales: Books Council of Wales magazine funding model – 13 December 2023

- Response from the Books Council of Wales: Books Council of Wales magazine funding model – 20 December 2023

9.12 Welsh Language Commissioner: Post-compulsory education and the Welsh language

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Attached Documents:

- Letter from the Welsh Language Commissioner: Post-compulsory education and the Welsh language: the learners' voice – 17 November 2023
- Welsh Language Commissioner report: Post-compulsory education and the Welsh language: the learners' voice – 17 November 2023
- Letter from the Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Post-compulsory education and the Welsh language: the learners' voice – 21 December 2023

9.13 Public service broadcasting in Wales

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Attached Documents:

- BBC report: Doctor Who: Economic Impact – November 2023
- Letter to the Department for Culture, Media and Sport: Public service broadcasting in Wales – 8 December 2023
- Letter to ITV: Public service broadcasting in Wales – 11 December 2023
- Letter to the Deputy Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism: Public service broadcasting in Wales – 15 December 2023
- Response from the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology: Public service broadcasting in Wales – 18 December 2023

9.14 Redundancies at Reach

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Attached Documents:

- Correspondence from the National Union of Journalists (NUJ):
Redundancies at Reach – 12 December 2023

9.15 Ukrainian language in Wales

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Attached Documents:

- Response from the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip: Ukrainian language in Wales – 13 December 2023

9.16 Welsh Government international relations

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Attached Documents:

- Welsh Government report: Supporting Shared Learning – Ireland and Wales – October 2023
- Welsh Government international visits – November 2023

9.17 Allegations concerning bullying at S4C

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Attached Documents:

- Correspondence from an individual – 20 October 2023
- Letter from Cwmni Da: Allegations concerning bullying at S4C – 1 December 2023

10 Allegations concerning bullying at S4C: consideration of evidence

(14.00 – 14.15)