

Concise Minutes – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 3 – Senedd
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 14 November
2024

Meeting time: 10.25 – 14.22

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Paul Davies MS (Chair) Hannah Blythyn MS Hefin David MS Luke Fletcher MS Samuel Kurtz MS Jenny Rathbone MS
Witnesses:	Rebecca Evans MS, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning Jack Sargeant MS, Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership Aine Gawthorpe, Welsh Government Andrew Gwatkin, Welsh Government Duncan Hamer, Welsh Government Stephen Layne, Welsh Government



	<p>Jo Salway, Welsh Government</p> <p>Ali Abdi, Cardiff University</p> <p>Sarah Simmonds, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Robert Donovan (Clerk)</p> <p>Rachael Davies (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Nicole Haylor–Mott (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Sara Moran (Researcher)</p> <p>Madelaine Phillips (Researcher)</p> <p>Samantha Southern (Researcher)</p> <p>Gareth David Thomas (Researcher)</p>

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2 Papers to note

2.1 The Committee noted the papers.

- 2.1 The Windsor Framework (Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals) Regulations 2024
 - 2.2 Legislative Consent: Product Regulation and Metrology Bill
 - 2.3 Petition P-06-1403 Reconsider cuts to Postgraduate funding and increase Doctoral Loans to match UKRI Stipend
 - 2.4 Tourism Industry – Request for updated information
 - 2.5 Hybu Cig Cymru Operations and Delivery
 - 2.6 Consultation on amendments to the Joint Fisheries Statement
 - 2.7 Animal health and welfare – Use of Raised Laying Units for pheasants and partridges by the game sector in Wales
 - 2.8 Joint Senedd Committee visit to Ireland
 - 2.9 Scrutiny of Draft Budget 2025-26
 - 2.10 Movement of Goods (Northern Ireland to Great Britain) (Animals, Feed and Food, Plant Health etc.) (Transitory Provision and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024
 - 2.11 Official Controls (Amendment) Regulations 2024
 - 2.12 Reporting deadlines for legislative consent memoranda
 - 2.13 Petition P-06-1291 Hold an enquiry into the corporate takeover of the veterinary profession in Wales
 - 2.14 The Sea Fisheries (Amendment) (No 2) Regulations 2024
 - 2.15 Inter-Parliamentary engagement
 - 2.16 Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
- 3 The Foundational Economy: Panel 5

3.1 The Committee heard evidence from Sarah Simmonds (Aneurin Bevan University Health Board) and Ali Abdi (Cardiff University).

3.2 The Committee agreed to write to both witnesses with follow-up questions from the session.

4 The Foundational Economy: Panel 6 – Ministerial session

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from Rebecca Evans MS, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning.

4.2 The Cabinet Secretary agreed to write to the Committee to provide further detail in relation to procurement queries.

5 General Ministerial Scrutiny – Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning and the Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership

5.1 The Committee heard evidence from Rebecca Evans MS, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning, and Jack Sargeant MS, Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership.

5.2 The Minister agreed to provide the Committee with further detail in relation to several issues raised.

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

6.1 The Committee agreed the motion to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting.

7 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received under Items 3, 4 and 5.

8 Legislative Consent: Product Regulation and Metrology Bill

8.1 The Committee discussed the Legislative Consent Memorandum, and agreed to write to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning to request further information.

9 Joint Senedd Committee visit to Ireland

9.1 The Committee agreed the report.