

Concise Minutes – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 2 – Senedd
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 22 October
2025

Meeting time: 10.06 – 11.24

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Andrew RT Davies MS (Chair) Hannah Blythyn MS Alun Davies MS Luke Fletcher MS Samuel Kurtz MS Jenny Rathbone MS
Witnesses:	Rebecca Hawkins, Welsh Government Helen John, Welsh Government Kate Lewandowska, Welsh Government Jon Roche, Welsh Government Hannah Starkey, Welsh Government Robbie Thomas, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Robert Donovan (Clerk)



	Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Nicole Haylor–Mott (Deputy Clerk) Claire Butterworth (Legal Adviser) Ben Harris (Legal Adviser) Ben Stokes (Researcher) Gareth David Thomas (Researcher)
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.2 All Members were present for the start of the meeting however Jenny Rathbone MS indicated she would need to leave towards the end of item 2.
- 1.3 Under SO 17.24A, Samuel Kurtz MS declared an interest.

2 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Technical briefing

- 2.1 The Committee received a briefing from Welsh Government officials on the Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill, and had an opportunity to ask technical questions regarding the content of the Bill.

3 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Approach to scrutiny

- 3.1 The Committee considered and agreed their approach to scrutiny of the Bill's general principles, whilst acknowledging the limitations caused by the short timetable for Stage 1 scrutiny of the Bill.

4 Business Committee review of the Public Bill and Member Bill processes: publication of pre-introduction Bills

4.1 The Committee discussed their views in response to the Business Committee's call for evidence, and agreed to consider a draft response at a future meeting.