

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 26 January 2021

Meeting time: 09.03 – 09.18

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Elin Jones MS, Llywydd (Chair) Rebecca Evans MS Siân Gwenllian MS Caroline Jones MS
Others in attendance	Manon Antoniazzi, Chief Executive & Clerk of the Senedd Siwan Davies, Director of Senedd Business Siân Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Service Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service Elin Roberts, Policy Adviser to the Llywydd Gwion Evans, Head of the Llywydd's Private Office Helen Carey, Welsh Government Bethan Garwood, Deputy Clerk

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

Apologies were received from Darren Millar MS.



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2 Minutes of the previous meeting

3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This Week's Business

The Trefnydd drew Business Managers' attention to the addition of a statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services, updating Members on COVID-19 vaccinations, as well as a slight change to the title of the statement by the Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and Welsh Language. She indicated there would be a statement on vaccines every week for the foreseeable future.

Tuesday

- Voting Time will take place after the last item of business.
- Plenary is unlikely to run past 6.45pm.

Wednesday

- Voting Time will take place before the Short Debate.
- Plenary is unlikely to run past 5.55pm.

3.2 Three Week Timetable of Government Business

The Trefnydd drew Business Managers' attention to the following changes:

Tuesday 2 February 2021

- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Update on COVID-19 Vaccinations (30 mins)
- The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Restrictions) (Amendment) (No. 3) (Wales) Regulations 2021 (15 mins)

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- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Update on COVID-19 Vaccinations (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government: Working in Partnership for a Fair Work Wales (30 mins)
- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services: The Rebalancing Care and Support White Paper (30 mins)

3.3 Three Week Timetable of Senedd Business

Business Committee agreed to schedule the following items of business:

Wednesday 24 February 2021 -

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (30 mins)
- Time allocated to the Independent Alliance for Reform Group (30 mins)

4 Legislation

4.1 The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Restrictions) (Amendment) (No. 3) (Wales) Regulations 2021

The Business Committee agreed to set a reporting deadline of Monday 1 February for the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to report on the regulations.

4.2 Update on current Legislative Consent Memorandums

The Business Committee noted the latest position on LCMs and agreed a revised deadline of 25 February for the ELGC and LJC Committees to report on the LCM on the Domestic Abuse Bill. The Committee also agreed to refer the SLCM (No.2) on the Domestic Abuse Bill to the ELGC and LJC Committees with the same reporting deadline.

4.3 Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Business Committee agreed a revised deadline of 25 February for the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to report on the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 2) on the UK Environment Bill.

Any Other Business

Committee Changes

The Llywydd informed Business Managers that the Conservative group wishes to make changes to their committee memberships. Business Committee agreed to schedule the motions to make these changes for this afternoon's Plenary after the BSA.

Additional Meeting

The Llywydd informed Business Managers that the agenda for the next additional Business Committee meeting on 1 February will be:

- Sub judice;
- Recall;
- Temporary Standing Orders;
- Secret ballots in virtual/hybrid Plenary;
- Committee membership and balance; and
- Groups – definition of.