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Meeting ID	11135
Committee	Business Committee
Date	22/02/2021
Attendees	Elin Jones MS (Chair) Rebecca Evans MS (Member) Mark Isherwood MS (Member) Siân Gwenllian MS (Member) Ann Jones MS (Guest) Caroline Jones MS (Member) Aled Elwyn Jones (Clerk) Manon Antoniazzi (Official) Siwan Davies (Official) Siân Wilkins (Official) Julian Luke (Official) Gwion Evans (Official) Elin Roberts (Official) Helen Carey (Official) Bethan Garwood (Official) Lowri Hughes (Official) AMSS Mark Isherwood (Monitor) Aled Ap Neill (Official) AMSS Elin Jones (Monitor) AMSS Rebecca Evans (Monitor) AMSS Sian Gwenllian (Monitor) AMSS Ann Jones (Monitor) AMSS Caroline Jones (Monitor) Lowri Barrance (Monitor) Access All Committees (Monitor) Business Committee Admin group (Monitor) Business Committee Info group (Monitor) Business Committee - Group Offices (Monitor) Central Admin (Monitor) TRS Admin group (Monitor) TRS - Users (Monitor) Chamber Sec. (Monitor)

Item ID	64760
Item Title	Introductions, apologies and substitutions
Summary	

Item ID	64774
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Item Title	Standing Orders
Summary	

Item ID	64769
Item Title	Conducting Secret Ballots using an Electronic Voting Method
Summary	Business Committee agreed that remote electronic voting should be used to conduct the secret ballots for electing the Llywydd and Deputy at the start of the next Senedd, should a physical ballot not be practicable either for all or for some Members. The Committee endorsed the proposed method of remote electronic voting set out in the paper as providing the desired levels of anonymity and security.

Item ID	64770
Item Title	Miscellaneous Standing Order changes
Summary	Business Committee agreed in principle to the proposed changes to Standing Orders.

Item ID	64771
Item Title	Recall Procedures
Summary	Business Committee agreed to introduce a provision to allow the Llywydd to use their discretion to recall the Senedd for any matter of urgent public Business Committee agreed to introduce a provision to enable the Llywydd to use their discretion to recall the Senedd to consider a matter of urgent public importance, in consultation with the First Minister and Business Committee.

Item ID	64772
Item Title	Committee Membership, Chairs and Political Balance
Summary	Business Committee confirmed their decision to replicate in Standing Orders the provisions on using the d'Hondt formula to decide committee membership previously contained in the Act. The Committee did not agree to any other changes.

Item ID	64773
Item Title	Reviewing Standing Orders in relation to political groups
Summary	The Committee considered reviewing Standing Orders in relation to political groups.

The Trefnydd made a proposal for amending the Standing Order, which was supported by Sian Gwenllian. Mark Isherwood and Caroline Jones did not support the proposal; they support retaining the existing Standing Order.

Business Committee agreed to consult with the Members not represented on the Committee, and will consider the comments at its meeting on 2 March.