

# Votes and Proceedings – Plenary

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Meeting Venue:

Y Siambr – Y Senedd

Meeting date:

Wednesday, 12 May 2021

Meeting time: 15.00

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## 1 Election of the Presiding Officer under Standing Order 6

The item started at 15.05

The Clerk of the Senedd invited nominations in accordance with Standing Order 6.6.

Lynne Neagle nominated Elin Jones. Siân Gwenllian seconded the nomination.

Laura Anne Jones nominated Russell George. Alun Davies seconded the nomination.

The Clerk invited the candidates to address the Senedd.

As there were two nominations, a secret ballot took place in accordance with Standing Order 6.8.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

Elin Jones	Russell George	Abstain	Total
35	25	0	60

The Clerk declared Elin Jones elected as Presiding Officer.

In accordance with Standing Order 12.18, at 15.50 the meeting was suspended before the Presiding Officer took the Chair.



## **2 Election of the Deputy Presiding Officer under Standing Order 6**

The item started at 15.54

The Presiding Officer (Elin Jones) invited nominations in accordance with Standing Order 6.6.

Joyce Watson nominated David Rees. Llyr Gruffydd seconded the nomination.

Dawn Bowden nominated Hefin David. Laura Anne Jones seconded the nomination.

The Clerk invited the candidates to address the Senedd.

As there were two nominations, a secret ballot took place in accordance with Standing Order 6.8.

The results of the secret ballot were as follows:

David Rees	Hefin David	Abstain	Total
35	24	0	59

The Llywydd declared David Rees elected as the Deputy Presiding Officer.

## **3 Nomination of the First Minister under Standing Order 8**

The item started at 16.47.

The Senedd resolved to take nominations for the appointment of First Minister, in accordance with Standing Order 12.11.

The Presiding Officer invited nominations for the appointment of First Minister, in accordance with Standing Order 8.2.

Rebecca Evans nominated Mark Drakeford.

There were no other nominations, so in accordance with section 47(4) of the Government of Wales Act the Presiding Officer stated her intention to recommend to Her Majesty the appointment of Mark Drakeford as First Minister.

The Presiding Officer invited Mark Drakeford to address the Senedd, followed by leaders of the opposition parties.

The meeting concluded at 17.06