

Concise Minutes – Standards of Conduct Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Video-conference via Zoom

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Meeting date: Monday, 28 November
2022

<http://senedd.tv/en/13054>

Meeting time: 09.30 – 12.04

Remote

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Vikki Howells MS (Chair) Natasha Asghar MS John Griffiths MS Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Witnesses:	James Drummond, Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Billy McLaren, Scottish Lobbying Registrar Anthony Murray, Standards in Public Office Commission Harry Rich, Office of the Registrar of Consultant Lobbyists
Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Clerk) Nicole Haylor-Mott (Deputy Clerk) Enrico Carpanini (Legal Adviser)

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Standards of Conduct Committee. There were no declarations of interest, and no substitutions.



2 Inquiry into Lobbying: Evidence Session 1

2.1 The Committee discussed lobbying arrangements in Scotland with the Lobbying Registrar and Assistant Lobbying Registrar of The Scottish Parliament.

3 Inquiry into Lobbying: Evidence Session 2

3.1 The Committee discussed lobbying arrangements in the Republic of Ireland with the Assistant Principal in the Lobbying Regulation Unit, Standards of Public Office Commission, Ireland.

4 Inquiry into Lobbying: Evidence Session 3

4.1 The Committee discussed lobbying arrangements in Westminster with the Registrar of Consultant Lobbyists, Westminster.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the following business:

5.1 The motion to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting under Standing Order 17.42 was agreed.

6 Inquiry into Lobbying: Consideration of evidence received

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

7 Paper to note – Letter from the Chief Executive

7.1 The Committee noted the letter from the Chief Executive and agreed to write back to respond.