

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: 28 March 2023

Meeting time: 09.00 – 09.05

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Elin Jones MS, Llywydd (Chair) Lesley Griffiths MS Siân Gwenllian MS Darren Millar MS
Committee Staff:	Graeme Francis (Clerk) Yan Thomas (Deputy Clerk)
Others in attendance	Jane Dodds MS David Rees MS, Deputy Presiding Officer Manon Antoniazzi, Chief Executive and Clerk Siwan Davies, Director of Senedd Business Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service Helen Carey, Welsh Government

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

The Llywydd welcomed members to the meeting.



2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed for publication.

3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This week's business

Tuesday

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

- Statement by the Minister for Economy: The Freeport Programme in Wales (30 mins)
- ~~Statement by the Deputy Minister for Climate Change: Update on the Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle White Paper (30 mins)~~ *Withdrawn*
- Motion under Standing Order 12.24 to debate items 11 and 12 together but with separate votes (30 mins)
 - LCM on the Procurement Bill – motion 1
 - LCM on the Procurement Bill – motion 2
- Voting Time will take place as the last item of business.
- Plenary is unlikely to run past 7.00pm.

Wednesday

- Voting Time will take place before the Short Debate.
- Plenary is unlikely to run past 7.30pm.

3.2 Three week timetable of Government Business

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

Tuesday 25 April 2023

- Statement by the Minister for Climate Change: The 2023/24 Flood Programme (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Economy: Shared Prosperity and Levelling Up (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Progress Update on the Welsh in Education Workforce Plan (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: The National Diagnostic Strategy (30 mins)

Tuesday 2 May 2023

- Statement by the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Update on Local Tax Reform (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Health and Social Services: Update on the Six Goals for Emergency Care Programme (30 mins)
- Statement by the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Students as Citizens – Higher Education (30 mins)

3.3 Three week timetable of Senedd Business

The following additions were agreed to the Three Week Timetable of Senedd Business:

Wednesday 10 May 2023 –

- Member Debate under Standing Order 11.21(iv) (60 mins)
- Debate on the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee report: Annual report on the National Infrastructure Commission for Wales – 2022–23 (30 mins)

- Debate on the Petitions Committee report – From Five to Four? P-06-1247 Support trials of a four-day week in Wales (30 mins)
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Short Debate (30 mins)

4 Legislation

4.1 Paper to note – correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice regarding the Illegal Migration Bill

Business Committee noted the letter and the Welsh Government's intention to lay a Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Bill outside of the usual timescales.

4.2 Paper to note – letter from the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd regarding the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill – Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 4)

Business Committee noted the letter and the Committee's position that it is unable to report on the supplementary LCM (Memorandum No. 4) on the Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill.

5 Any other business

Business Committee received an oral update and agreed to pre-emptively refer the Legislative Consent Memorandum on The Data Protection & Digital Information No.2 Bill, which will be laid this week, to the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport and International Relations Committee and the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee for scrutiny, with a reporting deadline of 8 June 2023.