

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 5 Ty Hywel
and video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 8 June 2023

Meeting time: 09.30

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Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

1 Post-EU regional development funding: Findings from engagement

(09.20–09.30)

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Attached Documents:

Engagement summary note

Public meeting (09.30–13.35)

2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(09.30)

3 Papers to note

(09.30)



3.1 Questions to the Minister for Economy: Apprenticeship completions

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Economy to Luke Fletcher MS – 12 May 2023

3.2 The Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee's report: Common Frameworks

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 12 May 2023

3.3 UK/Ireland/EC: Financing Agreement on the PEACE PLUS Programme 2021–2027

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 12 May 2023

3.4 Legislative Consent Memorandum: Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the First Minister – 15 May 2023

3.5 Post-EU regional development funding: Shared Prosperity Fund

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Attached Documents:

Letter from Councillor Morgan, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council following the Committee meeting on 4 May – 15 May 2023

3.6 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee: Forward Work Programme

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Attached Documents:

Letter from Climate Cymru – 16 May 2023

Letter from the Chair to Climate Cymru – 22 May 2023

3.7 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement: Inter-Ministerial Standing Committee

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Council General and Minister for the Constitution to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 17 May 2023

3.8 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No 3) for the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Local Government and Housing Committee to the Llywydd and Chair of the Business Committee – 18 May 2023

3.9 Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Non-Domestic Rating Bill

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Finance and Local Government – 18 May 2023

Letter from the Chair of the Finance Committee to the Minister for Finance and Local Government – 26 May 2023

Letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 1 June 2023

3.10 Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Trade

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Economy – 18 May 2023

3.11 The Committee's inquiry into Post-EU regional development funding

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to Trades Union Congress (TUC) Wales – 19 May

Letter from the Chair to University and College Union (UCU) Wales – 19 May 2023

Letter from the Chair to UNISON Wales – 19 May

3.12 Food (Wales) Bill: Stage 1

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Attached Documents:

Response from Peter Fox MS, Member-in-charge of the Bill to the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee report – 19 May 2023

Response from Peter Fox MS, Member-in-charge of the Bill to the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee report – 19 May 2023

Response from Peter Fox MS, Member-in-charge of the Bill to the Finance Committee report – 19 May 2023

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – fall of the Food (Wales) Bill – 31 May 2023

3.13 Review of the Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021

(Pages 73 – 75)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 25 May 2023

3.14 Forage maize seed breeders

(Pages 76 – 78)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Dr Julian Little, Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology (FRSB) – 15 May 2023

3.15 Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 (2023 Order)

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 26
May 2023

3.16 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: Engagement

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Chair of the Finance Committee – 26 May 2023

4 Post–EU regional development funding: Minister for Economy

(09.30–10.30)

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Vaughan Gething MS, Minister for Economy

Duncan Hamer, Director of Operations – Business & Regions, Welsh
Government

Aine Gawthorpe, Deputy Director, Industrial Transformation and
Foundational Economy, Welsh Government

Peter Ryland, Chief Executive, Welsh European Funding Office, Welsh
Government

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

Summary of written evidence

5 Manufacturing in Wales: Evidence session 1 – Minister for Economy

(10.30–11.00)

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Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

Break (11.00–11.15)

6 Manufacturing in Wales: Evidence session 2

(11.15–12.30)

Dr Llyr ap Gareth, Head of Policy (Wales), Federation of Small Businesses Wales

Janis Richards, Membership Director – Wales, MakeUK

Professor David Pickernell, Small Business and Enterprise Development Policy, Business, Swansea University

Mary Williams, Political Officer, Unite Wales

Break (12.30–12.35)

7 Manufacturing in Wales: Evidence session 3

(12.35–13.35)

Professor Keith Ridgway, Chair, Industry Wales and Senior Executive,
Manufacturing University of Strathclyde

David Hoare, Senior Communications & Site Compliance Leader (Wales), GE
Aerospace

8 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public for the remainder of the meeting

(13.35)

Private (13.35–14.00)

9 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

(13.35–13.45)

10 Consideration of the Committee's Forward Work Programme

(13.45–14.00)

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Attached Documents:

Forward Work Programme – Autumn 2023