

Concise Minutes – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

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

Meeting date: Thursday, 8 June 2023

Meeting time: 09.34 – 13.36

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Paul Davies MS (Chair) Hefin David MS Luke Fletcher MS Vikki Howells MS Samuel Kurtz MS Sarah Murphy MS
Witnesses:	Vaughan Gething MS, Minister for Economy Duncan Hamer, Welsh Government Peter Ryland, Welsh Government Aine Gawthorpe, Welsh Government Llŷr ap Gareth, Federation of Small Businesses Wales David Hoare, GE Aerospace Professor David Pickernell, Swansea University Janis Richards, Made UK



	<p>Professor Keith Ridgway, Industry Wales</p> <p>Mary Williams, Unite</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Rob Donovan, Clerk</p> <p>Lara Date, Second Clerk</p> <p>Evan Jones, Deputy Clerk</p> <p>Ceri Thomas, Committee Support Officer</p> <p>Ben Stokes, Researcher</p> <p>Gareth Thomas, Researcher</p>

1 Post-EU regional development funding: Findings from engagement

1.1 The Committee considered the findings from the Citizens Engagement team on Post-EU regional development funding.

2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

2.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2.2 Sarah Murphy MS declared that she was a member of Unite Wales.

3 Papers to note

3.1 The Committee noted the papers.

- 3.1 Questions to the Minister for Economy: Apprenticeship completions
- 3.2 The Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee's report: Common Frameworks
- 3.3 UK/Ireland/EC: Financing Agreement on the PEACE PLUS Programme 2021–2027
- 3.4 Legislative Consent Memorandum: Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill
- 3.5 Post–EU regional development funding: Shared Prosperity Fund
- 3.6 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee: Forward Work Programme
- 3.7 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement: Inter–Ministerial Standing Committee
- 3.8 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No 3) for the Levelling–up and Regeneration Bill
- 3.9 Legislative Consent Memorandum for the Non–Domestic Rating Bill
- 3.10 Meeting of the Inter–Ministerial Group for Trade
- 3.11 The Committee's inquiry into Post–EU regional development funding
- 3.12 Food (Wales) Bill: Stage 1
- 3.13 Review of the Water Resources (Control of Agricultural Pollution) (Wales) Regulations 2021
- 3.14 Forage maize seed breeders
- 3.15 Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2023 (2023 Order)
- 3.16 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25: Engagement
- 4 Post–EU regional development funding: Minister for Economy

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from Welsh Government.

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

5.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Minister for Economy.

5.2 The Minister for Economy agreed to write to the Committee with additional information on the refreshed manufacturing action plan detailing the short, medium and longer term timescales for the individual action points.

5.3 The Committee agreed to write to the Minister with some follow-up questions following the session .

6 Manufacturing in Wales: Evidence session 2

6.1 The Committee heard evidence from the panel.

6.2 The Committee agreed to write to the panel with questions not reached during the session .

7 Manufacturing in Wales: Evidence session 3

7.1 The Committee heard evidence from the panel.

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

8.1 The Motion to exclude the public for the remainder of the meeting was agreed.

9 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

9.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

10 Consideration of the Committee's Forward Work Programme

10.1 The Committee considered and agreed the forward work programme.