

# Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

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Meeting Venue:	For further information contact:
Hybrid – Committee room 5 Tŷ Hywel and video Conference via Zoom	Lara Date Committee Clerk
Meeting date: 13 December 2023	0300 200 6565
Meeting time: 10.00	<a href="mailto:SeneddEconomy@senedd.wales">SeneddEconomy@senedd.wales</a>

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## Private pre-meeting (09.45–09.55)

At its meeting on 30 November, the Committee agreed a motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to exclude the public from item 1 of today's meeting

### 1 Scoping: Farming Connect

(09.55–10.00)

(Pages 1 – 3)

Attached Documents:

Scoping paper

## Public (10.00–12.30)

### 2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(10.00)

### 3 Papers to note

(10.00)



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### **3.1 Inter-Ministerial Group for Trade meeting**

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Economy – 24 November 2023

### **3.2 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee meeting – 30 November 2023: The Future of Welsh Steel session**

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of Tata Steel UK – 27 November 2023

### **3.3 UK-EU Parliamentary Partnership Assembly**

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the First Minister of Wales – 28 November 2023

### **3.4 The Recognition of Professional Qualifications and Implementation of International Recognition Agreements (Wales) (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2023 (“the Wales Regulations”)**

(Pages 7 – 13)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language – 30 November  
2023

### **3.5 Habitat Wales Scheme (HWS)**

(Pages 14 – 15)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 7  
December 2023

### **3.6 The Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) Regulations 2024**

(Pages 16 – 19)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 7 December 2023

Letter from the First Minister of Wales to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 23 October 2023

## **4 General Ministerial Scrutiny: Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd**

(10.00–11.10)

(Pages 20 – 63)

- Lesley Griffiths MS, Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd, Welsh Government
- Gian Marco Currado, Director – Rural Affairs, Welsh Government
- Richard Irvine, Chief Veterinary Officer, Welsh Government
- Dean Medcraft, Director – Finance & Operations, Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

**Break (11.10–11.20)**

## **5 General Ministerial Scrutiny: Minister for Economy**

(11.20–12.30)

(Pages 64 – 86)

- Vaughan Gething MS, Minister for Economy, Welsh Government
- Duncan Hamer, Director of Operations – Business & Regions, Welsh Government
- Andrew Gwatkin, Director – International Relations & Trade, Welsh Government
- Jo Salway, Director – Social Partnership, Employability & Fair Work, Welsh Government

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## **6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting and the start of the meeting on 18 January 2024.**

(12.30)

**Private (12.30–12.40)**

## **7 Consideration of evidence following the meeting**

(12.30–12.40)