

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 5 – Ty Hywel
and Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 22 February 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

(09.15–09.30)

Public meeting

(09.30–12.25)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Papers to note

(09.30)

2.1 The Biocidal Products (Health and Safety) (Amendment and Transitional Provision etc.) Regulations 2024

(Pages 1 – 2)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 5
February 2024



2.2 The Agricultural Holdings (Units of Production) (Wales) Order 2024

(Pages 3 – 4)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 7 February 2024

2.3 Hybu Cig Cymru

(Pages 5 – 8)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Llyr Gruffydd MS to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 8 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 9 February 2024

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd to Llyr Gruffydd MS – 15 February 2024

2.4 Legislative Consent: Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans–Pacific Partnership) Bill

(Pages 9 – 10)

Attached Documents:

Letter to the Minister for Economy – 9 February 2024

2.5 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee meeting – 7 February 2024: Follow up questions for UK Government Minister of State

(Pages 11 – 12)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to Baroness Neville–Rolfe, Minister of State – 13 February 2024

3 Inquiry: Farming Connect: Panel 1 – Stakeholders

(09.30–10.15)

(Pages 13 – 53)

Dominic Hampson–Smith, Rural Affairs Vice Chairman, Wales Federation of Young Farmers Clubs (YFC)

Gareth Parry, Deputy Head of Policy, Farmers' Union of Wales (FUW)

Abi Reader, Deputy President, National Farmers' Union Cymru (NFU)

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Farmers' Union of Wales (FUW)

Evidence paper – National Farmers' Union Cymru (NFU)

Additional paper – Lantra

Additional paper – Menter a Busnes

Research brief

Break

(10.15–10.20)

4 Inquiry: Farming Connect: Panel 2 – Stakeholders

(10.20–11.05)

(Pages 54 – 64)

Hywel Morgan, Chair, Nature Friendly Farming Network Cymru (NFFN)

Elaine Harrison, National Manager for Wales, Confor

Arfon Williams, Head of Land and Sea Policy for RSPB Cymru, representing Wales Environment Link (WEL)

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Nature Friendly Farming Network Cymru (NFFN)

Evidence paper – Confor

Evidence paper – Wales Environment Link (WEL)

Break

(11.05–11.15)

5 Development Bank of Wales inquiry: Panel 2 – Welsh Business Perspective

(11.15–12.25)

(Pages 65 – 82)

Ben Cottam, Head of Wales, Federation of Small Businesses Wales (FSB)

Paul Butterworth, Chief Executive Officer, Chambers Wales

Link to consultation page containing all the responses received:

[Development Bank of Wales inquiry](#)

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Federation of Small Businesses Wales (FSB)

Research brief

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

(12.25)

Private

(12.25–12.35)

7 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

(12.25–12.35)