

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 2 – Senedd
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 6 March 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

(09.15–09.30)

Public meeting

(09.30–12.00)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Papers to note

(09.30)

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

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to the
Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 26 February
2024



2.2 The Official Controls (Fees and Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 27 February 2024

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

(Pages 4 – 5)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee – 27 February 2024

2.4 Drainage Districts

(Pages 6 – 15)

Attached Documents:

Letter from Mabon ap Gwynfor MS – 16 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to Mabon ap Gwynfor MS – 27 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 29 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to the Farmers' Union of Wales (FUW) – 29 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to National Farmers' Union Cymru (NFU) – 29 February 2024

Letter from the Chair to Natural Resources Wales – 29 February 2024

2.5 Border Controls

(Pages 16 – 18)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Economy – 29 February 2024

2.6 Future of Welsh Steel

(Pages 19 – 27)

Attached Documents:

Additional evidence paper from Professor Vera Trappmann

2.7 The Environment and Rural Affairs (Revocation and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2024

(Pages 28 – 29)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 29 February 2024

2.8 Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans–Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Economy – 29 February 2024

2.9 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee report: Nuclear Energy and the Welsh Economy

(Pages 31 – 32)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Secretary of State for Energy Security and Net Zero – 29 February 2024

2.10 The Sea Fisheries (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2024

(Pages 33 – 34)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 29 February 2024

3 General Ministerial Scrutiny: Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd

(09.30–10.40)

(Pages 35 – 60)

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

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

Break

(10.40–10.50)

4 General Ministerial Scrutiny: Minister for Economy

(10.50–12.00)

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Vaughan Gething MS, Minister for Economy, Welsh Government

Jo Salway, Director, Social Partnership, Employability & Fair Work, Welsh Government

Helen John, Deputy Director, Borders Controls Programme, Welsh Government

Tom Smithson, Deputy Director, Economic Strategy & Regulation, Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

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

(12.00)

Private

(12.00–12.15)

6 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

(12.00–12.15)