

# Agenda – Reform Bill Committee

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Meeting Venue:	For further information contact:
Committee Room 1, Senedd	Helen Finlayson
Meeting date: Wednesday 22 November 2023	Committee Clerk 0300 200 6565
Meeting time: 09.30	<a href="mailto:SeneddReform@senedd.wales">SeneddReform@senedd.wales</a>

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Private pre-meeting (09.15–09.30)

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

(09.30)

## 2 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Evidence session with the Electoral Commission

(09.30–10.30)

(Pages 1 – 15)

Dame Elan Closs Stephens, Electoral Commissioner, Wales

Rhydian Thomas, Head of Electoral Commission, Wales

Tom Davies, Senior Policy Adviser, Electoral Commission, Wales

### Supporting documents

Paper 1 Written evidence: Electoral Commission

Research Brief

## Break (10.30 – 10.45)

## 3 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Evidence session with the Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales

(10.45 – 11.45)

(Pages 16 – 51)

Bev Smith, Chair, Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales



Shereen Williams, Chief Executive, Local Democracy and Boundary  
Commission for Wales

### **Supporting documents**

Paper 2 Written evidence: Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for  
Wales

Research Brief

## **4 Papers to Note**

(11.45)

### **4.1 Additional information provided by the Electoral Reform Society Cymru following the evidence session on 9 November 2023**

(Pages 52 – 73)

### **4.2 Letter to the Former Chair of the Committee on Senedd Electoral Reform regarding the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill – 16 November 2023**

(Pages 74 – 75)

### **4.3 Letter to the Local Government and Housing Committee regarding the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill – 16 November 2023**

(Pages 76 – 77)

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

(11.45)

- 6 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Consideration of evidence**  
(11.45–11.55)
- 7 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Technical briefing**  
(11.55 – 12.00) (Pages 78 – 84)  
**Supporting document**  
Paper 3 Additional background briefing
- 8 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Welsh Youth Parliament Focus Group – Draft note**  
(12.00–12.05) (Pages 85 – 88)  
**Supporting document**  
Paper 4 Draft note
- 9 Forward work programme**  
(12.05 – 12.15) (Pages 89 – 96)  
**Supporting document**  
Paper 5 Forward work programme