

# Concise Minutes – Reform Bill Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1, Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 1 May 2024

Meeting time: 09.03 – 12.25

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	David Rees MS (Chair) Heledd Fychan MS Darren Millar MS Sarah Murphy MS Jane Dodds MS
Witnesses:	Jane Hutt MS, Trefnydd and Chief Whip Will Whiteley, Deputy Director, Senedd Reform, Welsh Government Catrin Davies, Head of Diversity Policy, Senedd Reform, Welsh Government Anna Hind, Senior Lawyer, Legal Services, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Helen Finlayson (Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk) Catherine Roberts (Deputy Clerk) Josh Hayman (Researcher) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)



## **1 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: technical briefing**

The Committee noted the additional background briefings and the YouGov survey findings.

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

There were no apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest.

The Chair welcomed Jane Dodds MS, who was attending in accordance with Standing Order 17.49.

## **3 Papers to note**

### **3.1 Letter from the Counsel General regarding the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill – 23 April 2024**

The Committee noted the letter.

## **4 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Evidence session with the Trefnydd and Chief Whip**

The Committee received evidence from the Trefnydd and Chief Whip.

The Trefnydd agreed to provide correspondence between the First Minister of Wales and the Secretary of State for Wales regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill.

## **5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting, and from the meeting on 22 May 2024**

The Committee agreed the motion.

## **6 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Consideration of evidence and discussion of key issues**

The Committee considered key issues arising from the evidence received.