

Concise Minutes – Reform Bill Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1, Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 22 May 2024

Meeting time: 09.15 – 11.25

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	David Rees MS (Chair) Heledd Fychan MS Darren Millar MS Vikki Howells MS Jane Dodds MS
Committee Staff:	Helen Finlayson (Clerk) Georgina Owen (Second Clerk) Catherine Roberts (Deputy Clerk) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser) Josh Hayman (Researcher) Claire Thomas (Researcher) Valerie Livingston (Official)

1.1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

Sarah Murphy MS sent her apologies. Vikki Howells MS attended as her substitute.



The Committee noted that, following her appointment as the Minister for Social Partnership on 17 May 2024, Sarah Murphy MS has formally recused herself from all Committee activity.

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

2 Papers to note

2.1 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: External research commissioned by Senedd Research

The Committee noted the external research.

2.2 Letter from the Trefnydd and Chief Whip regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill – 10 May 2024

The Committee noted the letter.

2.3 Letter from the Finance Committee to the Trefnydd and Chief Whip regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill – 16 May 2024

The Committee noted the letter.

2.4 Letter from the Petitions Committee regarding Petition P-06-1334 Make the Senedd More Representative of the Welsh Population – 16 May 2024

The Committee noted the letter.

3 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: draft report

The Committee agreed its draft report subject to minor amendments to be agreed by email.

The Committee agreed publication arrangements for its report.