

Agenda – Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: 28 November 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Pre-meeting registration

(09.15 – 09.30)

Public

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Allegations surrounding the Welsh Rugby Union: Evidence session with the Welsh Rugby Union

(09.30 – 10.30)

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Richard Collier–Keywood, Chair

Abi Tierney, Chief Executive Officer

Nigel Walker, Executive Director of Rugby

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Welsh Rugby Union written evidence

Annex A – Finance enabler deck

Annex B – Progress on Independent Review Recommendations – September



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Annex C – News WRU women's contracts review

Annex D – Strategy pack – November 2024

Annex E – Annual report 2022–23

Annex F – Progress on Independent Review Recommendations – November 2024

Break

(10.30 – 10.40)

3 Ministerial scrutiny: Evidence session with the Minister for Culture, Skills & Social Partnership

(10.40 – 11.55)

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Jack Sargeant MS, Minister for Culture, Skills & Social Partnership

Ruth Meadows, Director for Culture, Heritage and Sport, Welsh Government

Jason Thomas, Director, Tourism, Marketing, Events and Creative Wales,
Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Welsh Government written evidence

4 Paper(s) to note

(11.55)

4.1 Forward work programme

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Attached Documents:

Letter from TAC: Introductory letter from the new Chair – 8 November 2024

4.2 Impact of funding reductions for culture and sport

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Attached Documents:

Correspondence from Welsh Sports Association: Providing additional information following the Committee's meeting on 24 October 2024 in relation to the Committee's inquiry into the impact of funding reductions for culture and sport – 14 November 2024

Correspondence from Welsh Local Government Association: Providing additional information following the Committee's meeting on 24 October 2024 in relation to the Committee's inquiry into the impact of funding reductions for culture and sport – 20 November 2024

4.3 Charging for exhibitions

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Attached Documents:

Correspondence from Amgueddfa Cymru–Museum Wales: Follow-up evidence after the evidence session on 6 June 2024 relating to the Committee's inquiry into charging for exhibitions – 21 November 2024

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from items 6, 7, and 9 of this meeting

(11.55)

Private

6 Allegations surrounding the Welsh Rugby Union: Consideration of evidence

(11.55 – 12.05)

7 Ministerial scrutiny: Consideration of evidence

(12.05 – 12.30)

Lunch break

(12.30 – 13.15)

Public

8 Scrutiny of the Welsh Language Commissioner: Evidence session with the Welsh Language Commissioner

(13.15 – 14.15)

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Efa Gruffudd Jones, Welsh Language Commissioner

Osian Llywelyn, Director of Regulation and Deputy Commissioner

Attached Documents:

Research brief

The Welsh Language Commissioner Annual Report 2023–24

Delivering change together: An overview of compliance with Welsh language duties 2023–24 – August 2024

Private

9 Scrutiny of the Welsh Language Commissioner: Consideration of evidence

(14.15 – 14.30)