

# Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee room 5 – Tŷ Hywel  
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 23 January 2025

Meeting time: 09.30

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## Hybrid

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### Private pre-meeting

09.15 – 09.30

### Public session

09.30 – 12.50

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

09.30

#### 2 Papers to note

09.30

##### 2.1 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Data (Use and Access) Bill

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee  
to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning – 14 January  
2025



### **3 Apprenticeship pathways – Panel 1 – Strategic Overview**

09.30 – 10.30

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Rhian Edwards, Executive Director for Policy, Medr

Harriet Barnes, Director of Research, Innovation and Skills, Medr

Sharron Lusher, Former Chair, Vocational Qualifications Review Board

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Evidence paper – Medr

### **Break**

10.30 – 10.40

### **4 Apprenticeship pathways – Panel 2 – Colleges and Apprenticeship Providers**

10.40 – 11.40

(Pages 26 – 30)

Dr Barry Walters, Principal of Pembrokeshire College, and Chair of the ColegauCymru Strategic Work-based Learning (WBL) and Employability Group, ColegauCymru

Lisa Mytton, Strategic Director, National Training Federation for Wales

Grant Santos, CEO, Educ8 Training Group

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – National Training Federation for Wales

### **Break**

11.40 – 11.50

**5 Apprenticeship pathways – Panel 3 – Information around Apprenticeships**

11.50 – 12.50

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Nerys Bourne, Director of Customer Strategy and Service Development,  
Careers Wales

Amie Field, Head of Services for Young People, Careers Wales

Jamie Cater, Senior Policy Manager (Employment), Make UK

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Careers Wales

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

12.50

**Private session**

12.50 – 14.35

**7 Apprenticeship pathways: Consideration of evidence**

12.50 – 13.00

**Break**

13.00 – 13.30

## **8 Green Economy – Consideration of Draft Report**

13.30 – 13.50

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Attached Documents:

Green Economy draft report

## **9 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025–26 – Consideration of Draft Report**

13.50 – 14.05

(To Follow)

Attached Documents:

Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025–26 draft report

## **10 UK–EU implementation review of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement – Briefing**

14.05 – 14.35

(Pages 94 – 109)

Attached Documents:

Research brief