

# Concise Minutes – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee room 5 – Tŷ Hywel  
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 7 May 2025

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.07

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Andrew RT Davies MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS (In place of Hannah Blythyn MS) Luke Fletcher MS Samuel Kurtz MS Jenny Rathbone MS
Witnesses:	Huw Irranca-Davies MS, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs Gian Marco Currado, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Robert Donovan (Clerk) Nicole Haylor-Mott (Deputy Clerk) Aled Evans (Legal Adviser) Elfyn Henderson (Researcher) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser)



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

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Hannah Blythyn MS and Hefin David MS. Alun Davies MS attended as a substitute for Hannah Blythyn MS for item 2.
- 1.3 Under SO 17.24A, Andrew RT Davies MS, Samuel Kurtz MS and Huw Irranca-Davies MS declared an interest in relation to item 2.

## **2 Hybu Cig Cymru: Panel 4 – Ministerial scrutiny**

- 2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Huw Irranca-Davies MS, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, Welsh Government.

## **3 Papers to note**

- 3.1 The Committee noted the papers.
- 3.1 **Agreement between the UK and European Union on Sanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) Measures**
- 3.2 **Meeting of the Tourism Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG)**
- 3.3 **Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement: Celtic Heritage Agreement Annual Report**
- 3.4 **Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Business and Industry (IMG)**
- 3.5 **Legislative Consent: Employment Rights Bill**

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

- 4.1 The Committee agreed the motion to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting.

## **5 Consideration of evidence following the meeting**

- 5.1 The Committee discussed the evidence heard during item 2.

## **6 The Trade and Cooperation Agreement (TCA): Key issues discussion**

6.1 The Committee considered the key issue paper, and agreed to move forward with the reporting proposals for the Committee contained within the paper.

## **7 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum: Product Regulation and Metrology Bill**

7.1 The Committee considered the legal advice note, and agreed it would not be necessary for the Committee to produce a further report on the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum.

7.2 The Committee agreed to write to the Business Committee to notify them of this decision.

## **8 Apprenticeship Pathways: Key issues discussion**

8.1 The Committee agreed to return to this item for a full discussion at its next meeting.