

# Concise Minutes – Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2, Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 14 May 2025

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.58

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### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Delyth Jewell MS (Chair) Mick Antoniw MS Alun Davies MS Gareth Davies MS Heledd Fychan MS Lee Waters MS
Witnesses:	Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson, Sport Wales Abi Tierney, Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) Helen Antoniazzi, Football Association of Wales Derek Walker, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales Najma Hashi, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales Sarah Rees, Wales Overseas Agencies Group
Committee Staff:	Manon George (Clerk) Lowri Barrance (Deputy Clerk)



	Sara Moran (Researcher) Robin Wilkinson (Researcher)
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## **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest**

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed the Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 The Chair wished Dr Simon Brooks all the best as he receives cancer treatment, and thanked him for his contribution to the Committee's ongoing Welsh language inquiry.
- 1.3 The Chair paid tribute to Claire O'Shea who passed away on Monday. Claire was due to give evidence during this Committee meeting, and the Chair announced that a minute's silence, and further tributes would take place ahead of the day's second evidence session.

## **2 Welsh Government's International Strategy – Oral evidence – Panel 3**

- 2.1 The Members questioned the witnesses as part of their inquiry into the Welsh Government's International Strategy.
- 2.2 Helen Antoniazzi to write to the Committee confirming the discrepancy in funding between the World Cup and Euros

## **3 Welsh Government's International Strategy – Oral evidence – Panel 4**

- 3.1 The Chair paid tribute to Claire O'Shea who passed away on Monday.
- 3.2 A minute's silence was held to reflect on the loss of Claire.
- 3.3 The Members questioned the witnesses on the Committee's inquiry into the Welsh Government's International Strategy.
- 3.4 The Committee agreed to write to the witnesses with the questions that were not reached.

## **4 Papers to note**

### **4.1 Funding for sports**

- 4.1 The Committee agreed to write to Sport Wales for clarity on the matter and to ask for a breakdown of funding for all sport.

## **4.2 BBC Sounds to end**

4.2 The Committee agreed to discuss the issues raised during evidence sessions with public service broadcasters in the autumn term.

## **4.3 Proposed closures at Cardiff University**

4.3 The paper was noted.

## **4.4 Issues facing the higher education sector**

4.4 The paper was noted.

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

5.1 The motion was agreed.

## **6 Welsh Government's International Strategy – Consideration of the evidence received**

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.