

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 3 – Senedd
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 5 November 2025

Meeting time: 09.15

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

09.00 – 09.15

Public session

09.15 – 12.10

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

09.15

2 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Evidence Session 1

09.15 – 10.45

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Mark Drakeford MS, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Welsh Language,
Welsh Government

Helen John, Deputy Director, Licensing of Visitor Accommodation, Welsh
Government

Robbie Thomas, Head of Licensing of Visitor Accommodation, Welsh
Government

Dylan Hughes, Legislative Counsel, Welsh Government

Hannah Starkey, Lawyer, Welsh Government



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[Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation \(Wales\)
Bill, as introduced](#)

[Explanatory Memorandum](#)

Attached Documents:

Research brief

Bill summary

Break

10.45 – 10.55

**3 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor
Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Evidence Session 2**

10.55 – 11.30

(Pages 50 – 52)

Rebecca Godfrey, Interim CEO, Welsh Revenue Authority

Anthony Pritchard, Chief Digital Officer, Welsh Revenue Authority

Joseph Dooher, Head of Visitor Levy and National Registration Delivery, Welsh
Revenue Authority

Attached Documents:

Welsh Revenue Authority background briefing

Break

11.30 – 11.35

4 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Evidence Session 3

11.35 – 12.10

Marc Crothall MBE, Chief Executive, Scottish Tourism Alliance

Fiona Campbell, Chief Executive, Association of Scotland's Self-Caterers

5 Papers to note

12.10

5.1 UK Steel Industry

(Pages 53 – 54)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of British Steel – 10 October 2025

5.2 European Commission Steel proposals

(Pages 55 – 58)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Chair of the International Trade Committee,
European Parliament – 16 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to the Minister of State, Department for Business and
Trade, UK Government, the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and
Planning, Welsh Government, and the Secretary of State for Wales, UK
Government – 16 October 2025

5.3 Future of Welsh Steel session – 9 October 2025

(Pages 59 – 73)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and

Planning, Welsh Government, and the Secretary of State for Wales, UK
Government – 16 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to the CEO, Tata Steel UK – 24 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to Community Union – 27 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to GMB Union – 27 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to Multi-Union Committee – 27 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to Unite the Union Wales – 27 October 2025

Response from Unite the Union Wales – 28 October 2025

Letter from Hinkley Point C Power Station to the Chair – 17 October 2025

5.4 Invitation to give oral evidence to the Committee on the developments in the Welsh steel industry

(Pages 74 – 75)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Secretary of State for Wales, UK Government – 17 October 2025

5.5 Future of Welsh Steel

(Pages 76 – 79)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Chief Commercial Officer and Regional Director – Wales, Associated British Ports (ABP) – 20 October 2025

Letter from the Chair to the CEO, Celtic Freeport – 20 October 2025

5.6 Organic Production (Amendment) Regulations 2025

(Pages 80 – 81)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 17 October 2025

5.7 Follow-up from the committee meeting held on 1 October 2025 – General Ministerial Scrutiny

(Pages 82 – 83)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 20 October 2025

5.8 Follow-up questions from the committee meeting held on 24 September 2025 – Food Processing

(Pages 84 – 85)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 20 October 2025

5.9 Food Processing

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to Castell Howell – 24 October 2025

5.10 Global Centre of Rail Excellence

(Pages 87 – 88)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales – 21 October 2025

5.11 Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee report: Hybu Cig Cymru

(Pages 89 – 99)

Attached Documents:

Welsh Government response – 15 October 2025

Hybu Cig Cymru response – 22 October 2025

5.12 Welsh City and Regional Growth Deals: Letter to the UK Government and Welsh Government

(Pages 100 – 112)

Attached Documents:

Welsh Government response – 23 October 2025

UK Government response – 27 October 2025

5.13 Office for National Statistics (ONS) and Government Statistical Service (GSS) consultations

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Office for National Statistics – 28 October 2025

5.14 Report on the UK–EU implementation review of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement

(Pages 114 – 133)

Attached Documents:

Welsh Government response – 29 October 2025

5.15 Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement between the UK and India

(Pages 134 – 135)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning – 30 October 2025

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

12.10

Private session

12.10 – 12.25

7 Development of Tourism and Regulation of Visitor Accommodation (Wales) Bill: Consideration of evidence

12.10 – 12.25