

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 5 – Tŷ Hywel
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 14 January 2026

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

09.15 – 09.30

Public session

09.30 – 11.40

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

09.30

2 Inward Investment: Panel 1

09.30 – 10.30

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Howard Rupprecht, Managing Director, CS Connected

Professor Nigel Driffield, Professor in Strategy and International Business

Group – Warwick Business School, University of Warwick

Professor Riccardo Crescenzi, Professor of Economic Geography, and Deputy
Head of Department (Research), London School of Economics

Attached Documents:

Research brief



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Break

10.30 – 10.40

3 Inward Investment: Panel 2

10.40 – 11.40

Russell Greenslade, Director, CBI Wales

Gus Williams, CEO, Chambers Wales

4 Papers to note

11.40

4.1 Timetables for Bill scrutiny

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Llywydd, and Chair of the Business Committee –
19 December 2025

4.2 Follow-up from the General Ministerial Scrutiny session held on 3 December 2025

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and
Planning – 19 December 2025

4.3 Follow-up information from the Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27 session held on 26 November 2025

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate
Change and Rural Affairs – 19 December 2025

4.4 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement

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Attached Documents:

Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Trade – Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning – 22 December 2025

4.5 Farming Connect procurement

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 5 January 2026

4.6 Holyhead berthing incident, December 2025

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Transport and North Wales – 5 January 2026

4.7 Follow-up information from the General Ministerial Scrutiny session held on 1 October 2025

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Attached Documents:

Letter from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 5 January 2026

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

11.40

Private session

11.40 – 11.55

6 Inward Investment: Consideration of evidence

11.40 – 11.55