

Concise Minutes – External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Monday, 9 March 2020

Meeting time: 13.30 – 16.22

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	David Rees AM (Chair) Alun Davies AM Huw Irranca-Davies AM Mandy Jones AM Dai Lloyd AM David Melding AM
Witnesses:	Jeremy Miles AM, Counsel General and Brexit Minister Piers Bisson, Welsh Government Simon Brindle, Welsh Government David Henig, European Centre for International Political Economy (ECIPE) Niclas Poitiers, Bruegel Fabian Zuleeg, European Policy Centre
Committee Staff:	Alun Davidson (Clerk) Claire Fiddes (Deputy Clerk)



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	Aled Evans (Legal Adviser)
	Nia Moss (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Huw Irranca-Davies declared an interest as Chair of the European Advisory Group, Chair of the Wales Programme Monitoring Committee, and Chair of the Regional Investment Steering Group.

2 Scrutiny session with the Counsel General and Minister for European Transition

2.1 The Counsel General and Minister for European Transition responded to questions from Members.

3 UK–EU future relationship negotiations – a view from Brussels

3.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.

4 Papers to note

4.1 **Paper to note 1: Correspondence from the Llywydd to the Chair regarding the Social Partnership (Wales) Bill – 25 February 2020**

4.1.1 The paper was noted.

4.2 **Paper to note 2: Correspondence from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Chair in follow-up to the 10 February committee meeting – 3 March 2020**

4.2.1 The paper was noted.

4.3 **Paper to note 3: Correspondence from the Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language to the Chair regarding the UK's trade negotiations with the USA – 4 March 2020**

4.3.1 The paper was noted.

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

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 Scrutiny session with the Counsel General and Minister for European Transition – consideration of evidence

6.1 Members considered the evidence received.

7 Changes to freedom of movement after Brexit – follow-up work

7.1 Members agreed to undertake the proposed follow-up work.

8 Social Partnership (Wales) Bill – consideration of response

8.1 Members agreed to send the draft response, subject to agreed changes.