

Concise Minutes – Committee on Assembly Electoral Reform

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 4 – Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Monday, 27 January 2020

Meeting time: 09.15 – 10.30

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Attendance

| Category | Names |
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| Assembly Members: | Dawn Bowden AM (Chair) Huw Irranca-Davies AM Dai Lloyd AM (as substitute for Delyth Jewell AM) David J Rowlands AM |
| Witnesses: | Rebecca Evans AM, Minister for Finance and Trefnydd Lisa James, Welsh Government Elaina Chamberlain, Welsh Government |
| Committee Staff: | Helen Finlayson (Clerk) Stephen Aldhouse (Second Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Deputy Clerk) Gareth Pembridge (Legal Adviser) Tom Lewis-White (Researcher) |



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Delyth Jewell AM; Dai Lloyd AM attended as a substitute.

2 Electing a more diverse Assembly – evidence session with the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Minister.

2.2 The Minister agreed to:

- i. write to the Committee to provide any further information following consideration of the transcript by the Minister for Housing and Local Government; and
- ii. provide a summary of issues raised during discussions with local government about enabling councillors to participate remotely in council business.

3 Papers to note

3.1 Letter from the Llywydd – additional information following the meeting on 2 December 2019

3.1 The paper was noted.

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

4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Electing a more diverse Assembly – consideration of the oral evidence from the Minister for Finance and Trefnydd

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

6 Capacity of the Assembly – consideration of the evidence received at the stakeholder discussion event on 6 January 2020

6.1 The Committee considered and agreed to publish a written note of the issues raised during its stakeholder discussion event on the capacity of the Assembly.