

Welsh Cross Party Group Small Shops: AGM

Monday 11th December 2023, 15:00 – 15:30 Microsoft Teams (Online)

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Minutes
Edward Woodall	ACS	EW
Daniel Askew	ACS	DA
Russell George	MS for Montgomeryshire	RG
Mark Isherwood	MS for North Wales	MI
Vikki Howells	MS for Cynon Valley	VH
Ryland Doyle	MS Support Staff for Mike Hedges	RD
Robin Lewis	MS Support Staff for Vikki Howells	RL

1. Apologies

Sioned Williams MS

Peredur Owen Griffiths MS

Joyce Watson MS

2. Welcome and Introductions

VH welcomed attendees and explained to attendees the programme of activity for the CPG.

3. Review of Annual Report

VH provided a review of the CPG's annual report and members AGREED on its stated activity.

4. Nomination and Election of Officers

VH was nominated to continue her role as Chair of the CPG and members AGREED. VH will continue to act as the Group's Chair.

RG was nominated to continue his role as Vice-Chair of the CPG and Members AGREED. RG will continue to act as the Group's Vice-Chair.

DA was nominated to continue his role as Secretariat of the CPG and Members AGREED. DA will continue to act as the Group's Secretariat.

5. Review of Group Activity and 2024 Forward Workplan

EW provided a review of the group's activity over the past year including the Group's work to raise awareness of the operational implications of the Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) for local shops and what key considerations should be given by the Welsh Government.

EW outlined the Group's planned activity for 2024 which will be based on the topical issues of retail crime, DRS, and access to cash.

6. Closing Remarks

VH summarised the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.