

# Cross-Party Group Minutes

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## Meeting Minutes:

<b>Cross Party Group Title:</b>	Wales International
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	14/07/2021
<b>Location:</b>	Virtual

## In attendance:

<b>Name:</b>	<b>Title:</b>
Heledd Fychan MS	Chair
Rhun ap Iorwerth MS	(Former Chair)
John Griffiths MS	
Delyth Jewell MS	
Heledd Roberts	Rhun ap Iorwerth MS office
Sian Hollaran	International Coordinator, Colleges Wales
Rhiannon Hughes	Festival Director, Wicked Wales International Youth Film Festival
Claire O'Shea	Head of Partnerships, Hub Cymru Africa
Hayley Richards	Advocacy Advisor, Oxfam Cymru
David Anderson	Director General, National Museum Wales
Dr Walter Ariel Brooks	Head of Education, British Council Wales

Alison Cummins	Communications & External Relations Manager, British Council Wales
Natasha Nicholls	Head of Arts, British Council Wales
Rosa Bickerton	Project Manager, British Council Wales
Maija Evans	Education Manager, British Council Wales
Rebecca Wignall	Arts Manager, British Council Wales
Calum O'Byrne Mulligan	Political Affairs Adviser, British Council

### Apologies:

Name:	Title:
Alun Davies MS	
Darren Millar MS	
Jenny Scott	British Council Wales

### Summary of Meeting:

#### 1. Welcome from former Chair and AGM

Rhun ap Iorwerth (RI) former Chair of the group welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chair said he would like to stand down and a vote was taken for a new chair for the group during the 6<sup>th</sup> Senedd.

Heledd Fychan MS (HF) was nominated by RI and HF voted as new chair.

British Council Wales agreed to continue as Secretariat for the group.

RI expressed his thanks to British Council Wales for its work as Secretariat of the group during the 5<sup>th</sup> Senedd.

HF express her thanks to RI for his chairmanship of the group.

The membership of the group was confirmed as:

Chair: Heledd Fychan MS  
Rhun ap Iorwerth MS  
Alun Davies MS  
John Griffiths MS  
Darren Millar MS

Jenny Scott - Secretariat, British Council Wales

## **2. Forward Work Programme**

**Ideas for the group's work programme were discussed and the following will be taken forward:**

- Inquiry into Wales' international relations
- Globally Responsible Wales
- The International Learning Exchange Programme
- Modern language education in Wales
- Disaster Emergencies Committee

Suggestions for further issues to discuss are welcome and should be sent to [team.wales@britishcouncil.org](mailto:team.wales@britishcouncil.org)

## **3. Actions**

- HF to write to the First Minister regarding UK Government aid cuts and the people's vaccine
- HF and British Council Wales to meet to discuss the design of the forward work programme
- HF to discuss with Delyth Jewell MS, Chair of the Culture, Communications, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee, how the group can add value to the committee.

**The date of the next meeting, to take place in the autumn term will be sent to the group once organised.**



