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Rt Hon Elin Jones MS Llywydd Chair of Business Committee

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Committee remits

Dear Llywydd,

I write in response to the Business Committee's letter dated 22 May 2024, relating to the remits of committees. I am grateful for the opportunity to share the views of the Culture, Communication, Welsh Language, Sport, and International Relations Committee ("the Committee") about this issue.

The Committee understands the rationale for the proposed changes as outlined by the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee. The Committee does not, however, feel that any changes are required to our own remit, as the redistribution of ministerial responsibilities does not have the same degree of effect.

The Committee has identified only one change that affects its remit - that being the transfer of responsibility for the creative industries from the broader culture and arts policy portfolio to the Minister for Social Partnership. Whilst the Committee is still somewhat unclear about what the Welsh Government's rationale is for this change, it is not so significant that it would affect the Committee's ability to scrutinise government decision making effectively.

The current remit allows the Committee to look at a plurality of inter-connected issues across different sectors, and any significant change to that would impoverish the Committee's understanding and ability to undertake our work. We would request that no change is made to our remit.

Yours sincerely



Lyt Juh.

Delyth Jewell MS Committee Chair

Croesewir gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg neu Saesneg.

We welcome correspondence in Welsh or English.