



Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru **The National Assembly for Wales**

Y Pwyllgor Materion Cyfansoddiadol a **Deddfwriaethol** **The Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee**

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Cofnodir y trafodion hyn yn yr iaith y llefarwyd hwy ynndi yn y pwyllgor. Yn ogystal,
cynhwysir cyfieithiad Saesneg o gyfraniadau yn y Gymraeg.

These proceedings are reported in the language in which they were spoken in the committee.

In addition, an English translation of Welsh speeches is included.

Aelodau'r pwyllgor yn bresennol
Committee members in attendance

Jocelyn Davies	Plaid Cymru (yn dirprwyo ar ran Simon Thomas) The Party of Wales (substitute for Simon Thomas)
Suzy Davies	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig Welsh Conservatives
Mark Drakeford	Llafur (yn dirprwyo ar ran Julie James) Labour (substitute for Julie James)
David Melding	Y Dirprwy Lywydd a Chadeirydd y Pwyllgor The Deputy Presiding Officer and Committee Chair
Eluned Parrott	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru Welsh Liberal Democrats

Swyddogion Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru yn bresennol
National Assembly for Wales officials in attendance

Steve George	Clerc Clerc
Gwyn Griffiths	Uwch-gynghorydd Cyfreithiol Senior Legal Adviser
Olga Lewis	Dirprwy Glerc Deputy Clerk
Owain Roberts	Y Gwasanaeth Ymchwil Research Service

Dechreuodd y cyfarfod am 2.30 p.m.
The meeting began at 2.30 p.m.

Cyflwyniad, Ymddiheuriadau, Dirprwyon a Datganiadau o Fuddiant
Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

[1] **David Melding:** Good afternoon. I welcome everyone to this meeting of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee. I will make the usual housekeeping announcements. We do not expect a fire drill, so if we hear the alarm, please follow the instructions of the ushers, who will help us to leave safely. These proceedings will be conducted in Welsh and English and, when Welsh is spoken, a translation will be available on channel 1 of your headset, and you can amplify our proceedings on channel 0. Please switch off all electronic equipment completely as, even on 'silent', it can interfere with our recording systems. We have had two apologies for absence, and I am pleased to welcome Mark Drakeford and Jocelyn Davies as substitutes.

2.31 p.m.

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[2] **David Melding:** These instruments are listed, should Members have any queries. Are we all content? I see that we are.

**Offerynnau sy'n Cynnwys Materion i'w Codi gyda'r Cynulliad o dan Reolau
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Instruments that Raise Issues to be Reported to the Assembly under Standing
Orders No. 21.2 and 21.3**

[3] **David Melding:** There is nothing under item 3.

2.32 p.m.

**Gohebiaeth y Pwyllgor
Committee Correspondence**

[4] **David Melding:** You will see that Carl Sargeant has responded to our letter, indicating that he is minded to ensure that the elections in Anglesey are put back on a cycle with the other local authorities' elections. Are you content that we note that response? I do not think that any further action is warranted. I see that you are.

[5] I would like your permission to write to Leighton Andrews to invite him to give evidence on the School Standards and Organisation (Wales) Bill, as it is our routine practice to look at issues relating to the powers delegated to Ministers. I see that I have it.

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Jurisdiction**

[6] **David Melding:** Item 5, the evidence session with Professor Iwan Davies, pro-vice chancellor from the School of Law at Swansea University, has been postponed as he has urgent business, and I am content to postpone that item until further in the summer term. You will note from his paper that he has some interesting things to say. So, I apologise for any inconvenience that that has caused, but I am satisfied that it could not have been anticipated.

**Dyddiad y Cyfarfod Nesaf
Date of the Next Meeting**

[7] **David Melding:** Next Monday is a bank holiday, so we will meet in two weeks' time on 14 May. That concludes today's committee meeting.

*Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 2.32 p.m.
The meeting ended at 2.32 p.m.*