Concise Minutes - Llywydd's Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 3 Senedd

and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Tuesday, 7 November

2023

Meeting time: 09.11 - 10.52

Hybrid

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on <u>Senedd TV</u> at:

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	David Rees MS (Chair)
	Janet Finch-Saunders MS
	Llyr Gruffydd MS
	Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
	Joyce Watson MS
Witnesses:	Shaun McNally, Electoral Commission
	Dame Elan Closs Stephens CBE, Electoral Commission
	Rhydian Thomas, Electoral Commission
	David Moran, Director, Finance and Corporate Services,
	Electoral Commission
Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Clerk)
	Bethan Garwood (Deputy Clerk)
	Christian Tipples (Researcher)
	Matthew Richards (Legal Adviser)



- 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest
- 1.1 The Chair welcomes Members to the meeting.
- 1.2 No apologies were received and there were no declarations of interest.
- 2 Scrutiny of the Electoral Commission financial estimates 2024/25
- 2.1 The Chair welcomed the Electoral Commission to the meeting and thanked them for submitting their financial estimate for the financial year 2024–25 and supplementary estimate 2023–24.
- 2.2 The Committee scrutinised the Electoral Commission on their financial estimate for 2024–25.
- 2.3 The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution on the estimate as part of the consultation required under paragraph 16A(8)(b) of Schedule 1 to the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000.
- 2.4 The Committee noted the Electoral Commission's reports on the May 2023 local elections and on the accuracy and completeness of the electoral registers.
- 2.5 The Committee noted the two letters from the Electoral Commission on the cyberattack and the Chief Executive.
- Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting
- 3.1 The motion to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting under Standing Order 17.42(vi) was agreed.
- 4 Scrutiny of the Electoral Commission financial estimates 2024/25: Consideration of evidence
- 4.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.