

Agenda – Economy, Trade, and Rural Affairs Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee room 5 – Tŷ Hywel
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 24 April 2024

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

(09.15–09.30)

Public meeting

(09.30–12.00)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.30)

2 Papers to note

(09.30)

2.1 The Environment and Rural Affairs (Revocation and Consequential Provision) Regulations 2024

(Pages 1 – 2)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 15
March 2024

2.2 The Biocidal Products (Health and Safety) (Amendment and Transitional Provisions etc.) Regulations 2024

(Pages 3 – 4)



Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 18 March 2024

2.3 Drainage Districts

(Pages 5 – 14)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 19 March 2024

Letter from Natural Resources Wales – 21 March 2024

Letter from Farmers' Union of Wales – 22 March 2024

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language – 08 April 2024

2.4 Future of Welsh Steel – Tata Steel UK

(Pages 15 – 23)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to Tata Steel UK – 19 March 2024

Letter from Tata Steel regarding Morfa Coke Ovens – 06 April 2024

Letter from the Chair to Carwyn Jones – 21 March 2024

Letter from the Chair to Carwyn Jones – 15 April 2024

Letter from the Chair to the Minister of State for Business and Trade – 21 March 2024

2.5 General Ministerial Scrutiny session – 6 March 2024: Follow up

(Pages 24 – 26)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd – 21 March 2024

2.6 Hybu Cig Cymru

(Pages 27 – 28)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 22 March 2024

2.7 Welsh Government Draft Budget

(Pages 29 – 31)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair of Finance Committee – 22 March 2024

2.8 Development Bank of Wales inquiry: Follow up to evidence session on 21 March 2024

(Pages 32 – 33)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Chair to the Scottish National Investment Bank – 25 March 2024

2.9 The Official Controls (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2024

(Pages 34 – 35)

Attached Documents:

Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs – 18 April 2024

3 Development Bank of Wales inquiry: Panel 4 – Development Bank of Wales

(09.30–10.40)

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Gareth Bullock, Chair, Development Bank of Wales

Giles Thorley, Chief Executive Officer, Development Bank of Wales

Mike Owen, Group Investment Director, Development Bank of Wales

Rhian Elston, Wales Investment Director, Development Bank of Wales

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Development Bank of Wales

Break

(10.40–10.50)

4 Development Bank of Wales inquiry: Panel 5 – Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language

(10.50–12.00)

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Jeremy Miles MS, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Welsh Language, Welsh Government

Duncan Hamer, Director, Operations – Business and Regions, Welsh Government

Jo Banks, Head of Access to Finance and DBW Partnership Team, Welsh Government

Attached Documents:

Evidence paper – Welsh Government

Research brief

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

(12.00)

Private

(12.00–12.30)

6 Consideration of evidence following the meeting

(12.00–12.10)

7 Future of Welsh Steel: Key issues paper

(12.10–12.25)

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Attached Documents:

7 – Future of Welsh Steel Key Issues Paper

8 Budget Scrutiny Process

(12.25–12.30)