

Agenda – Reform Bill Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1, Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 24 April
2024

Meeting time: 09.15

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Hybrid

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions, and declarations of interest

(09.15)

2 Papers to note

(09.15)

2.1 Letter to the Independent Remuneration Board of the Senedd regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill – 22 March 2024

(Pages 1 – 2)

2.2 Letter from the Independent Remuneration Board of the Senedd regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill – 12 April 2024

(Pages 3 – 8)

2.3 Letter from the First Minister to the Llywydd in relation to Members in Charge of Welsh Government Bills – 5 April 2024

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2.4 Response from the Standards of Conduct Committee regarding the Stage 1 Report on the Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill – 17 April 2024

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2.5 Letter from the Llywydd regarding the Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill – 15 April 2024

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3 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Evidence session with Diverse 5050

(09.15–10.15)

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Victoria Vasey, Women's Equality Network Wales

Jessica Blair, Electoral Reform Society Cymru

Uzo Iwobi, Race Council Cymru

Selima Bahadur, Ethnic Minorities and Youth Support Team Wales

Supporting documents

Paper 1 Written evidence: Diverse 5050

Paper 2 Written evidence: Electoral Reform Society Cymru

Research brief

Paper 3 Legal advice note

Break (10.15–10.25)

4 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Evidence session with the Women's Rights Network

(10.25–11.20)

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Catherine Larkman, Women's Rights Network coordinator in Wales

Claire Loneragan, Women's Rights Network Director

Heather Binning, Women's Rights Network Founder and Director

Supporting documents

Paper 4 Written evidence: Women's Rights Network

Research brief

Break (11.20–11.30)

5 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Evidence session with the Senedd Women's Caucus

(11.30–12.15)

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Joyce Watson MS, Chair, Senedd Women's Caucus

Janet Finch–Saunders MS

Sioned Williams MS

Rhianon Passmore MS

Supporting documents

Paper 5 Written evidence: Joyce Watson MS, Chair, Senedd Women's Caucus

Research brief

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public for the remainder of the meeting, and for item 1 at the meeting on 1 May 2024

(12.15)

7 Senedd Cymru (Electoral Candidate Lists) Bill: Consideration of evidence

(12.15–12.30)