

Concise Minutes – External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Monday, 11 March 2019

Meeting time: 13.00 – 14.53

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	David Rees AM (Chair) Alun Davies AM Huw Irranca-Davies AM Delyth Jewell AM Mark Reckless AM Suzy Davies AM
Witnesses:	Jeremy Miles AM, Counsel General and Brexit Minister Piers Bisson, Welsh Government Simon Brindle, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Alun Davidson (Clerk) Rhys Morgan (Second Clerk) Claire Fiddes (Deputy Clerk) Peter Hill (Researcher) Gareth David Thomas (Researcher)



1 Preparing for Brexit – Briefing session with the Wales Audit Office

1.1 The witnesses introduced the Auditor General's report to Members.

1.2 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.

2 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

2.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2.2 Apologies were received from Michelle Brown, David Melding and Joyce Watson.

2.3 Suzy Davies attended as substitute for David Melding.

3 Preparing for Brexit – scrutiny session with the Counsel General and Brexit Minister

3.1 The witnesses responded to questions from Members.

4 Paper to note

4.1 Paper to note 1 – Correspondence from the Counsel General and Brexit Minister to the Chair regarding UK common frameworks – 1 March 2019

4.1 The paper was noted.

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

5.1 The motion was agreed.

6 Preparing for Brexit – consideration of evidence

6.1 Members considered the evidence received.

7 Consideration of response to the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee report on the scrutiny of regulations under the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018: progress report

7.1 Members considered and agreed the draft response, and agreed that it be sent to the First Minister.

8 Scrutiny of international agreements

8.1 Members agreed to write to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs to seek a clarification of his statement on responsibility for fisheries policy within the UK.