

Name of Cross Party Group: Small & Medium-Sized Enterprises

Meeting Minutes

Date: 25.09.18

Location: **Committee Room 5, Tŷ Hywel**

In attendance:

Name	Organisation / Title
Hefin David AM (Chair)	Assembly Member for Caerphilly
Mike Hedges AM	Assembly Member for Swansea East
David Rees AM	Assembly Member for Aberavon
Amy Bainton	FSB Wales
Ben Cottam	FSB Wales
Ben Francis	FSB Wales / Hygrove Homes
Ifan Glyn	FMB Cymru
Simon Gale	Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council
Simon Grey	Llanmoor Homes
Rob Hunter	Development Bank of Wales
Cenydd Rowlands	Development Bank of Wales
Cerianne Thorneycroft	Green Roots E-Cohaus
Jillian Purvis	Office of Huw Irranca-Davies AM
Jack Sellers	Office of David Melding AM
Alex Still	Office of Hefin David AM
Matt Williams	Office of Lee Waters AM

Apologies:

Name	Title
Mohammad Asghar AM	Assembly Member for South Wales (East)
Llyr Huws Gruffydd AM	Assembly Member for North Wales
Eluned Morgan AM	Assembly Member for Mid & West Wales
Lee Waters AM	Assembly Member for Llanelli

Summary of Meeting:

Chair, Hefin David AM, opened the meeting and welcomed both Members and external guests.

Attendees were given presentations by **Ben Francis, Welsh Policy Unit Chair, FSB Wales / Director, Hygrove Homes** and **Ifan Glyn, Director, FMB Cymru** on the subject of support for SME housebuilders in Wales.

The discussion was then opened up to all attendees, with issues covered including planning; access to land; and access to finance.

Hefin David AM, Chair, closed the meeting by thanking everyone in attendance for their contributions and expressing his wish that this would be the start of a robust and substantive debate about how best to support SME housebuilders in Wales and influence Welsh Government to this end.