

Minutes – Business Committee

Meeting Venue:

Presiding Officer's office, 4th floor – Tŷ

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Meeting date: 14 January 2020

Meeting time: 08.30 – 08.38

Private

Attendance

Category	Names
Committee Members:	Ann Jones AM (Chair) Rebecca Evans AM Darren Millar AM Rhun ap Iorwerth AM David J Rowlands AM
Committee Staff:	Aled Elwyn Jones (Clerk)
Others in attendance	Siwan Davies, Director of Assembly Business Siân Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Service Gwion Evans, Head of the Llywydd's Private Office Elin Roberts, Policy Adviser to the Llywydd Helen Carey, Welsh Government



1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

The Llywydd sent her apologies and The Deputy Presiding Officer chaired the meeting in her place. Caroline Jones also sent her apologies, and David Rowlands attended as a substitute.

2 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes for the meeting were agreed by the Committee for publication.

3 Organisation of Business

3.1 This Week's Business

Tuesday

- Voting Time will take place after the last item of business.

Wednesday

- Voting Time will take place before the Short Debate.

3.2 Three Week Timetable of Government Business

The Trefnydd notified Business Managers of the following change to Government Business for the next 3 weeks:

Tuesday 21 January 2020 –

- LCM on the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Bill (90 mins)

Wednesday 22 January 2020 –

- LCM on the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill (30 mins)

Tuesday 28 January 2020 –

- Statement by the Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government: Supporting our Town Centres (45 mins)

3.3 Three Week Timetable of Assembly Business

Business Committee determined the organisation of Assembly business and agreed to schedule the following items of business:

Wednesday 22 January 2020

- ~~Time allocated to the Brexit Party (60 mins)~~
- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)

Wednesday 29 January 2020

- Time allocated to the Welsh Conservatives (60 mins)
- Time allocated to the Brexit Party (60 mins)

Wednesday 5 February 2020 -

- Debate on a Member's Legislative Proposal (30 mins)
- Debate on the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee report: Common policy frameworks: Assembly scrutiny (60 mins)
- Time allocated to Plaid Cymru (60 mins)

4 Legislation

4.1 Letter from the Finance Minister and Trefnydd

Business Managers agreed to set a reporting deadline of Thursday 23 January for the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs and Finance Committees to report on the Landfill Disposals Tax (Tax Rates) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2020.

5 Committees

5.1 Request to amend the timetable of the Standards of Conduct Committee

Business Managers agreed to revise the Standards of Conduct Committee's meeting slot within the Committee Timetable so that it can meet weekly on Tuesday mornings.

6 Any Other Business

The Trefnydd informed the Committee that the government intended to lay a legislative consent memorandum in relation to the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) Bill today, and that the Parliamentary timetable required the motion to be scheduled for next week. Business Managers agreed to refer the LCM to the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs and Climate Change, Environment and Rural Affairs Committees, with a reporting deadline of Tuesday 21 January.