



**Cynulliad Cenedlaethol Cymru
The National Assembly for Wales**

**Y Pwyllgor ar y Mesur Arfaethedig ynghylch Teithio
gan Ddysgwyr
The Proposed Learner Travel Measure Committee**

**Cyfnod 2
Stage 2**

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Consideration of the Proposed Learner Travel (Wales) Measure 2008

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cynhwysir cyfieithiad Saesneg o gyfraniadau yn y Gymraeg.

These proceedings are reported in the language in which they were spoken in the committee.
In addition, an English translation of Welsh speeches is included.

Aelodau'r pwyllgor yn bresennol
Committee members in attendance

Lorraine Barrett	Llafur Labour
Alun Cairns	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig Welsh Conservatives
Ann Jones	Llafur Labour
Kirsty Williams	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru Welsh Liberal Democrats

Swyddogion Gwasanaeth Seneddol y Cynulliad yn bresennol
Assembly Parliamentary Service officials in attendance

Lewis McNaughton	Dirprwy Glerc Deputy Clerk
Sue Morgan	Cynghorydd Cyfreithiol y Pwyllgor Legal Adviser to the Committee
Sarah Sargent	Dirprwy Glerc Deputy Clerk
Gareth Williams	Clerc Clerk

Dechreuodd y cyfarfod am 12.17 p.m.
The meeting began at 12.17 p.m.

Ethol Cadeirydd
Election of Chair

[1] **Mr Williams:** Good afternoon, everyone, and welcome to the first meeting of the Proposed Learner Travel Measure Committee. Under Standing Order No. 10.18 I call for nominations for the Chair of the committee.

[2] **Kirsty Williams:** I nominate Alun Cairns.

[3] **Mr Williams:** Are there any other nominations? I see that there are not. I therefore declare that Alun Cairns has been duly elected Chair of the committee.

[4] **Alun Cairns:** Thank you very much.

12.18 p.m.

Cyflwyniad, Ymddiheuriadau a Dirprwyon
Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

[5] **Alun Cairns:** I remind Members that the usual Standing Orders apply in terms of health and safety matters and in relation to translation and the right to speak in Welsh or English. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must be switched off. The clerk has received apologies from the Deputy First Minister, Ieuan Wyn Jones; no substitute is being provided for this meeting.

12.18 p.m.

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[6] **Alun Cairns:** I will now briefly outline the role of this Stage 2 committee. The primary purpose of this meeting is the formal process of electing the committee Chair. However, for the benefit of those looking in on today's proceedings, I believe that it would be helpful to briefly put the work of this committee in context.

[7] The Welsh Assembly Government published a draft of the proposed Measure for consultation last year. As part of the process, the Enterprise and Learning Committee scrutinised and reported on its proposals. Due to the scrutiny undertaken by the Enterprise and Learning Committee, the Business Committee decided that, in accordance with Standing Orders, the consideration of the general principles of the proposed Measure by a committee could be bypassed. The general principles of the proposed Measure were then debated and agreed in Plenary on 29 April.

[8] The next stage in the process is the detailed consideration of the proposed Measure by this committee, and our role will be to consider and dispose of all amendments tabled by Assembly Members to this piece of legislation. In order to allow Members time to consider and formulate any amendments they wish to table to the proposed Measure, the committee will not begin its task of considering amendments until after the Whitsun recess. The clerk will, in due course, notify Members of the deadline for tabling amendments and the date of the next meeting. The committee must conclude its work by 4 July.

[9] Are there any other issues that Members want to mention in terms of process and purpose? I see that there are not. Therefore, that concludes the formal proceedings for today, and I declare the meeting closed.

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 12.20 p.m.
The meeting ended at 12.20 p.m.