



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

**Pwyllgor Deddfwriaeth Rhif 4
Legislation Committee No. 4**

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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

Michael German	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru (Cadeirydd y Pwyllgor) Welsh Liberal Democrats (Committee Chair)
Kirsty Williams	Democratiaid Rhyddfrydol Cymru Welsh Liberal Democrats
Bethan Jenkins	Plaid Cymru The Party of Wales
Paul Davies	Ceidwadwyr Cymreig Welsh Conservatives
Joyce Watson	Llafur Labour
Lorraine Barrett	Llafur Labour

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

Ruth Hatton	Deputy Clerc Dirprwy Glerc
Joanest Jackson	Uwch-gynghorydd Cyfreithiol Senior Legal Adviser
Gareth Williams	Clerc Clerk

Dechreuodd y cyfarfod am 2.15 p.m.
The meeting began at 2.15 p.m.

Ethol Cadeirydd
Election of Chair

[1] **Mr Williams:** Good afternoon and welcome to the first meeting of Legislation Committee No. 4. The first item on today's agenda is the election of the Chair. Therefore, under Standing Order No. 10.18, I call for nominations for Chair.

[2] **Kirsty Williams:** I nominate Michael German.

[3] **Mr Williams:** Are there any other nominations? I see that there are none. I therefore declare that Michael German has been duly elected Chair of the committee.

2.15 p.m.

Cyflwyniad, Ymddiheuriadau a Dirprwyon
Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

[4] **Michael German:** Thank you, colleagues. For the record, I will state that this is the fourth permanent legislation committee to be established by the National Assembly for Wales. We have been given the illustrious title of Legislation Committee No. 4. The main role of the committee is to report and consider Government-proposed legislation. Other committees will consider legislation proposed by Members or committee.

[5] The normal housekeeping arrangements apply for this committee. We operate through the media of Welsh and English. Headphones are provided, with simultaneous

translation on channel 1 and sound amplification on channel 0. In the event of a fire alarm, committee members should leave the room by the marked fire exit. No test is forecast for today, so if the alarm sounds it is real. Please ensure that all electronic devices are switched off. We have not received apologies for this meeting and all committee members are present.

[6] For the record, I confirm that this committee will consider amendments to the Proposed Local Government (Wales) Measure. It is the first piece of work to be undertaken by the committee and it is Stage 2 of the process. We are obliged to consider and dispose of any amendments tabled to the proposed Measure by 27 March. The first meeting at which the committee will consider amendments will take place next Thursday, 5 March, at 1.30 p.m.. The deadline for tabling amendments for that meeting will be 5.30 p.m. today. Daily lists of amendments tabled will appear in the business notice, which is published on the internet.

[7] I propose that we dispose of the amendments in the order in which they arise in the proposed Measure, and the marshalled list will be published on the internet on Monday. Are Members content with that? I see that you are. The next meeting of this committee will be held on Thursday, 5 March at 1.30 p.m. with a private pre-meeting at 1.15 p.m. Thank you for your attendance.

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 2.18 p.m.
The meeting ended at 2.18 p.m.