## SR11 Individual 4

## Senedd Cymru | Welsh Parliament

Y Pwyllgor Busnes | Business Committee

Galw am dystiolaeth ar argymhellion a wnaed gan y Pwyllgor Diben Arbennig ar Ddiwygio'r Senedd | Call for evidence on recommendations made by the Special Purpose Committee on Senedd Reform

## Ymateb gan Unigol 4 | Evidence from Individual 4

The Senedd's Business Committee is inviting views to inform its consideration of four recommendations made by the Special Purpose Committee on Senedd Reform:

I have read the original Report with very great interest and have the following general observations:

1) May I compliment the Committee on the thorough nature and clarity of its Report? It serves as an exemplar and I can only express regret that the Westminster Parliament does not use its time and considerable resources to conduct such valuable work in such a painstaking manner. The people of Wales are well served by this attempt to broaden and deepen democratic practice.

2) I cannot dissent from any of the Committee's recommendations- whether substantive or procedural. I do hope that the Senedd will proceed with some version of 'job-sharing'.

3) I commend both the discussion of alternative forms of closed list proportional representation and the decision to choose the D'Hondt method. I think that 'pure' D'Hondt rather than the system adopted in Northern Ireland - for wholly understandable, pragmatically justifiable, and morally and politically good reasons-, will well serve the people of Wales. It is, again, to be regretted that such a (if I may) mature discussion has not taken place in Westminster.

4) I cannot comment on the 'four recommendations' - these are properly for the Senedd and the people of Wales.