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Present

- Rt. Hon. Mark Drakeford MS (Chair)
 - Rebecca Evans MS
 - Vaughan Gething MS
 - Lesley Griffiths MS
 - Jane Hutt MS
 - Julie James MS
 - Jeremy Miles MS
 - Eluned Morgan MS
 - Mick Antoniw MS
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- Hannah Blythyn MS
 - Dawn Bowden MS
 - Julie Morgan MS
 - Lynne Neagle MS
 - Lee Waters MS

Officials

- Des Clifford, Director Office of the First Minister
- Rebecca Dunn, Head of Cabinet Division
- Toby Mason, Head of Strategic Communications
- Rory Powell, Head of First Minister's Office
- Jane Runeckles, Special Adviser
- Madeleine Brindley, Special Adviser
- Alex Bevan, Special Adviser
- Daniel Butler, Special Adviser
- Ian Butler, Special Adviser
- Kate Edmunds, Special Adviser

- Sara Faye, Special Adviser
- Sam Hadley, Special Adviser
- David Hooson, Special Adviser
- Clare Jenkins, Special Adviser
- Owen John, Special Adviser
- Phillipa Marsden, Special Adviser
- Tom Woodward, Special Adviser
- Christopher W Morgan, Head of Cabinet Secretariat (minutes)
- Damian Roche, Cabinet Secretariat
- Catrin Sully, Cabinet Office
- Kathryn Hallett, First Minister's Office
- Rhys Castle Jones, First Minister's Office
- Helena Bird, Permanent Secretary's Office
- Tracey Burke, Director General Climate Change & Rural Affairs
- Jo-anne Daniels, Director General, Education Social Justice & Welsh Language
- Reg Kilpatrick, Director General, Covid Recovery and Local Government
- Tim Moss, Chief Operating Officer
- Jutjih Paget, Director General Health and Social Services
- Andrew Slade, Director General, Economy, Treasury and Constitution
- Owain Lloyd, Director Education and Welsh Language
- Martyn Gunter, FOCUS Principal Project Manager

Item 1: Reform of the school year - consultation document

1.1 The Minister for Education and Welsh Language introduced the item, which asked Cabinet to approve the consultation document on the structure of the school year, which reflected the Programme for Government and Co-operation Agreement commitments.

1.2 Cabinet had considered a paper earlier in October, which outlined the principles of consulting on amending term dates so that they were more equal in length, with more evenly distributed breaks. At that meeting, it was agreed that the final consultation document would need to be considered by Cabinet before it was published.

1.3 Cabinet approved the consultation and put on record its thanks to officials for the work in finalising the documentation.

Cabinet Secretariat

October 2023

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