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Present

- Rt. Hon. Mark Drakeford MS (Chair)
 - Lesley Griffiths MS
 - Rebecca Evans MS
 - Vaughan Gething 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
 - Lynne Neagle MS
 - Julie Morgan MS
 - Lee Waters MS

Officials

- Andrew Goodall, Permanent Secretary
- Des Clifford, Director Office of the First Minister
- Rebecca Dunn, Head of Cabinet Division
- Toby Mason, Head of Strategic Communications
- Jane Runeckles, Special Adviser
- Madeleine Brindley, Special Adviser
- Alex Bevan, Special Adviser
- Daniel Butler, Special Adviser
- Ian Butler, Special Adviser
- David Davies, 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
- Tracey Burke, Director General Climate Change & Rural Affairs
- Jo-Anne Daniels, Director General Education, Social Justice and Welsh Language
- Reg Kilpatrick, Director General, COVID-19 recovery and Local Government
- Tim Moss, Chief Operating Officer
- Andrew Slade, Director General, Economy, Treasury and Constitution
- Helen Lentle, Director Legal Services
- Sioned Rees, Director Public Health Protection (item 3)
- Stacey-Jo Smith, Head of Pandemic Preparedness (item 4)

Item 1: Minutes of previous meetings

1.1 Cymeradwyodd y Cabinet gofnodion y 27 Mawrth / Cabinet approved the minutes of 27 March.

Item 2: Senedd business

2.1 Cabinet considered the Plenary grid and noted that voting time would be around 5:50pm on both Tuesday and Wednesday that week.

Item 3: Respiratory viruses update and forward planning 2023/2024

3.1 The Minister for Health and Social Services introduced the paper, which invited Cabinet to note the latest respiratory virus situation.

3.2 With the approach of spring and summer, it was expected that respiratory viruses would continue to ease. COVID-19 cases might remain relatively high, but this was not expected to translate into increased pressure on the health and care systems.

3.3 Vaccination remained the first line of defence against COVID-19 and the Spring Booster campaign had been launched on 1st April to provide additional protection for those that were 75 and over, residents of adult care homes and children aged 5 and over who were immunosuppressed.

3.4 Cabinet welcomed the update.

Cabinet Secretariat

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