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# Cabinet meeting: 5 February 2024

Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet on 5 February 2024.

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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

- Andrew Goodall, Permanent Secretary
- Des Clifford, Director Office of the First Minister
- Matthew Hall, 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
- Helena Bird, Permanent Secretary's Office
- Nia James, Interim Director of Legal Services
- Tracey Burke, Director General Climate Change & Rural Affairs
- Sioned Evans, Director General, Public Services and Welsh Language Group
- Tim Moss, Chief Operating Officer
- Judith Paget, Director General Health and Social Services
- Andrew Slade, Director General, Economy, Treasury and Constitution

## Item 1: Minutes of the previous meeting

1.1 Cymeradwydd y Cabinet gofnodion y 29 Ionawr/ Cabinet approved the minutes of 29 January.

## **Item 2: First Minister's items**

### **Tata Steel**

2.1 The First Minister informed Cabinet that he and the Minister for Economy, had met TV Narendran, the CEO of Tata Steel, the previous Thursday.

### **Crown Estate Celtic Sea Floating Offshore Wind Leasing Round 5 event.**

2.2 The First Minister advised Cabinet that he, and the Minister for Climate Change, had attended the Crown Estate's Celtic Sea Floating Offshore Wind Leasing Round 5 event in Swansea the previous Wednesday. The plan was to seek to establish a new floating wind sector in the Celtic Sea off the coasts of South Wales and Southwest England. It was expected to be the first phase of commercial development.

### **COVID-19 Inquiry – Scotland**

2.3 Cabinet noted that the COVID-19 Inquiry had concluded taking evidence on Module 2A - Core UK decision-making and political governance in relation to Scotland. The Inquiry was scheduled to commence the Wales specific evidence sessions on the Module in Cardiff towards the end of the month.

## **Item 3: Senedd business**

3.1 Cabinet considered the Plenary grid and noted that voting time was

scheduled for 8.05pm on Tuesday and around 6.40pm on Wednesday.

Cabinet Secretariat  
February 2024

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