

Concise Minutes – Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 10 October
2019

Meeting time: 10.04 – 12.15

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Bethan Sayed AM (Chair) Mick Antoniw AM John Griffiths AM Delyth Jewell AM Rhianon Passmore AM David Melding AM
Witnesses:	Phil Henfrey, Head of News and Programmes, ITV Wales Jonathan Hill, ITV Cymru Wales Zoe Thomas, ITV Wales Branwen Thomas, ITV Cymru Wales Rhodri Talfan Davies, Director, BBC Cymru Wales Elan Closs Stephens, BBC Board Member for Wales
Committee Staff:	Robert Donovan (Clerk) Lowri Jones (Deputy Clerk)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies were received from Carwyn Jones AM, Rhianon Passmore AM attended as a substitute.

2 Annual Scrutiny of ITV Cymru Wales

2.1 Witnesses from ITV Cymru Wales responded to questions from the Committee.

2.2 Witnesses from ITV Cymru Wales agreed to provide additional information regarding;

- the reform required to address the decrease in the value of the ITV Cymru Wales licence; and
- the future shape of spend in Wales from improved outputs.

3 Annual Scrutiny of BBC Cymru Wales

3.1 Witnesses from BBC Cymru Wales responded to questions from the Committee.

3.2 Witnesses from BBC Cymru Wales agreed to provide additional information regarding the number of hours of additional programming produced against the additional funding announced in 2017.

3.3 Rhianon Passmore AM declared that she was a former member of BBC Broadcasting Council Wales.

4 Papers to note

4.1 Correspondence on Fusion programme

4.1 Members noted the paper.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

5.1 Members agreed the motion.

6 Private Debrief

6.1 Members discussed the evidence.