

TERMS OF REFERENCE: WELSH ECONOMIC GROWTH ADVISORY GROUP

Purpose

The main purpose of the board is to support the development of solutions and priorities for the UK Government's Growth and Clean Energy missions for Wales, including by contributing to policy, the Spending Review and Industrial Strategy.

Topics for discussion

Topics for discussion will focus on the challenges and opportunities facing Wales in relation to the UK Government's Economic Growth and Clean Energy Missions. The forward plan of topics for discussions will be guided by members. We expect topics for early discussion by the Welsh Economic Growth Advisory Group will include:

- R&D funding for Wales and how UKG and WG policy works together in this area.
- Selling Wales abroad and barriers to further inward investment into Wales.
- The challenges and opportunities faced in Wales at a sector level where Wales has particular clusters of strength including for Tech and Digital, Advanced Manufacturing, Green Industries and Creative Industries.

Timing

The Group's initial programme of work will run for the next six months, as UK Governments priorities on economic growth and clean energy are developed.

Outputs

The outputs of the meetings will support the Secretary of State in her discussions across Government on priorities for Wales in the Spending Review and the development of key policy.

Membership

The Welsh Economic Growth Advisory Group is an advisory body chaired by the Secretary of State for Wales. Full membership is at Annex A.

The Welsh Economic Growth Advisory Group will be informed by additional engagement at a sector level. These discussions will be fed back to the Welsh Economic Growth Advisory Group to inform their discussions, as well as feeding directly into the Secretary of State's work.



ANNEX A: MEMBERSHIP

- Rt Hon Jo Stevens MP, Secretary of State for Wales [Chair]
- Alison Orrells, Chair, CBI Wales
- Dr Jenifer Baxter, CEO, Industry Wales
- Ben Francis, Wales Policy Chair, FSB
- Shavanah Taj, Wales TUC General Secretary
- John-Paul Barker, Lead for West and Wales, PWC
- Jessica Hooper, Director, Renewables UK Cymru
- Kevin Crofton, Chair, Creo Medical
- Oriel Petry, Senior Vice President, Airbus
- Professor Paul Boyle, Chair, Universities Wales
- Sarah Williams-Gardner, Chair, Fintech Wales
- Sir Derek Jones, independent adviser at Cardiff University and Chair of Keolis UK