

## **Minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet on 14 June 2016**

### **Present:**

- Rt. Hon. Carwyn Jones AM, First Minister (Chair)
  - Mark Drakeford AM
  - Vaughan Gething AM
  - Lesley Griffiths AM
  - Jane Hutt AM (from item 3)
  - Carl Sargeant AM
  - Kirsty Williams AM
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- Sir Derek Jones KCB, Permanent Secretary
  - Des Clifford, Director – Office of the First Minister and Cabinet Office
  - Peter Greening, Head of Cabinet Division (from item 3)
  - Jo Salway, Head of Cabinet Office
  - Toby Mason, Head of Strategic Communications
  - Matt Greenough, Special Adviser
  - Madeleine Brindley, Special Adviser
  - David Costa, Special Adviser
  - Kate Edmunds, Special Adviser
  - Andrew Johnson, Special Adviser
  - Alex Rawlin, Special Adviser
  - Tom Woodward, Special Adviser
  - Christopher W Morgan, Cabinet, Plenary and Committee Secretariat (minutes)
  - Damian Roche, Cabinet, Plenary and Committee Secretariat
  - Manon Antoniazzi, Director Tourism, Heritage and Sport (item 5)
  - Mari Stevens, Deputy Director, Marketing (item 5)
  - Gawain Evans, Director of Finance (item 6)
  - Matt Denham-Jones, Deputy Director Financial Controls (item 6)

### **Apologies:**

- Ken Skates AM

## **Item 1: Minutes of the previous meeting**

1.1 Cabinet approved the minutes of the previous meeting.

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

### ***European Football Championships***

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2.1 The First Minister advised Cabinet that he had written to the Home Secretary and the French Ambassador emphasising the need to protect Welsh fans. The behaviour of the fans and the performance of the football team had been a credit to the country. It was noted that the Health Secretary had attended the game in Bordeaux on Saturday, the First Minister would be attending the match in Lens on Thursday and the Economy Secretary would be in Toulouse the following week.

### ***Appointment of Counsel General***

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2.2 The First Minister informed Cabinet that he intended to recommend that Mick Antoniw should be appointed as Counsel General. The motion seeking the agreement of the Assembly to the nomination would be tabled later that day for debate the following week. Assuming the Assembly endorsed the recommendation, the appointment would then be subject to the approval of The Queen.

### ***Tata Steel***

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2.3 The First Minister advised Cabinet that the Welsh Government continued to engage with Tata Steel at a high. The First Minister would also be speaking to the UK Government later that week.

## **Item 3: Government Plenary Business**

3.1 Cabinet discussed the contents of the Plenary grid. The Leader of the House informed Cabinet that Plaid Cymru would be supporting the Government in opposing the annulment motion on blue badges, which had been scheduled for debate that afternoon.

## **Item 4: Delivering Government Priorities**

4.1 The First Minister introduced the paper, which asked Cabinet to note the approach to Government strategies for this Administration. The paper also set out the timescales for the production of the Programme for Government and the priority areas for early action.

## **Item 5: Wales Brand Marketing: Update**

5.1 The First Minister introduced the paper, which asked Cabinet to endorse the gradual implementation of the new brand strategy across all aspects of Wales's destination marketing.

5.2 Cabinet approved the paper.

## **Item 6: First Supplementary Budget 2016-17**

6.1 The Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Local Government introduced the paper, which asked Cabinet to approve the content and arrangements for the First Supplementary Budget of 2016-17.

6.2 The primary purpose of the Supplementary Budget was to restructure the Final Budget of 2016-17, to reflect the new Cabinet, and to regularise commitments that had been made by the previous Government, but had not been reflected within that Budget.

6.3 The Finance Secretary had written to the Presiding Officer providing advance notice of the planned timetable for the publication of the Supplementary Budget. The Leader of the House reported that the Assembly's Business Committee had agreed that morning to consider establishing an interim Finance Committee to scrutinise the Supplementary Budget.

6.4 Cabinet approved the paper.

**Cabinet, Plenary and Committee Secretariat  
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