

First Minister announces new cabinet

The First Minister said:

“It is an enormous privilege for me to be appointed First Minister of Wales. Every leader needs a strong team around them, and I am delighted to introduce my new cabinet which is a strong mix of experience, talent and passion.

“Brexit is our greatest challenge. In the extraordinary and regrettable circumstances created by the UK Government, it is vital that we prepare for all outcomes. I have retained Ministers in posts where their experience of Brexit preparation is key, while creating a new post to reflect the priority I attach to international relationships and trade.

“As a government we will continue to speak up for Wales, to fight our country’s corner and make sure the government in London is never in any doubt at all of what matters to the people of Wales.”

Cabinet and ministers:

Vaughan Gething

Minister for Health and Social Services

Julie Morgan

Deputy Minister for Health and Social Services

Eluned Morgan

Minister for International Relations and the Welsh Language

Dafydd Elis-Thomas

Deputy Minister for Culture, Sport and Tourism

Ken Skates

Minister for Economy and Transport

Lee Waters

Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport

Julie James

Minister for Housing and Local Government

Hannah Blythyn

Deputy Minister for Housing and Local Government

Rebecca Evans

Minister for Finance and Trefnydd

Kirsty Williams

Minister for Education

Lesley Griffiths

Minister for Environment, Energy and Rural Affairs

Jeremy Miles

Counsel General Designate and Brexit Minister

Jane Hutt

Deputy Minister and Chief Whip