

Communities and Culture Committee

Minutes (CC(3)-08-09)

Date: 21 May 2009

Time: 13:00 - 15:00

Venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Janice Gregory, Ogmere (Chair)
Alun Cairns, South Wales West
Lesley Griffiths, Wrexham
Mark Isherwood, North Wales
Bethan Jenkins, South Wales West
Dai Lloyd, South Wales West
Joyce Watson, Mid and West Wales

Committee Service

Stefan Sanchez, Clerk
Annette Millett, Deputy Clerk
Sarah Hatherley, Members Research Service

Others in Attendance

Keith Towler, Children's Commissioner for Wales
Catriona Williams, Chief Executive, Children in Wales
Aled Eirug, Committee Adviser

1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

- 1.1. The Chair welcomed Committee members and members of the public.
- 1.2. Apologies were received from Lynne Neagle and Eleanor Burnham.

2: Inquiry into Youth Justice

Evidence from:

Children's Commissioner for Wales

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- 2.1 Witness responded to questions from the Committee.

Action

Members Research Service to confirm whether the Magistrates Association are represented on the Youth Justice Committee for Wales and to what extent the Youth Justice Committee for Wales prioritises work around alternatives to custody.

Children in Wales

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- 2.2 Witness responded to questions from the Committee.

Action

Witness will provide data from the Howard League on the detention of women compared to men.

Private Session

3: Agreement of Reports

The Committee agreed, under Standing Order 10.37, that item 3 would be held in private.

The Welsh Newspaper Industry Report

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3.1 Following discussion the Committee agreed the Report.

Public Service Broadcasting in Wales Report

CC(3)-08-09 : Paper 4

3.2. Minor amendments to be circulated for agreement out of Committee.

Paper to Note

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 May 2009 were ratified.

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