Communities and Culture Committee

Minutes (CC(3)-09-09)

Date: 11 June 2009 Time: 13:00 - 15:00

Venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Janice Gregory, Ogmore (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

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Stefan Sanchez, Clerk Annette Millett, Deputy Clerk

Others in Attendance

Mandy Collins, Deputy Chief Executive, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales Sue Thomas, Senior Policy Development Officer, NACRO Cymru Spike Cadman, Senior Policy Development Officer, NACRO Cymru

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.
- 1.3 The Chair wished to note the Committee's thanks to Stefan Sanchez who is returning to the Welsh Assembly Government.

2: Inquiry into Youth Justice

Evidence from:

Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW)

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2.1 Witness responded to questions from the Committee.

Action

The witness will provide further evidence on the correlation between the authorities prepared to statement and authorities more reluctant and the potential outcome for youth justice.

The witness will provide written evidence on the equality issues impacting on healthcare services for young offenders, for example girls and young women, Welsh speakers and those from BME communities.

The witness will research additional information on the continuity of healthcare for children and young people moving between the secure estate and the community.

To provide more information and data on the reasons why children are taken into care in Wales.

NACO Cymru Youth Offending Unit

CC(3)-09-09: Paper 2

2.2 Witnesses responded to questions from the Committee.

Action

Witness will provide the Committee with a copy, when published, of a report by the Westminster based lobby group, Standing Committee for Youth Justice, which is looking in detail at different models for providing services.

Witness to provide further information on alternatives to custody including how successful these have been, and the awareness of alternatives.

Private Session

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

3: Promoting Welsh Arts on the World Stage - Consideration of Draft Report

CC(3)-09-09: Paper 3

3.1 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 21 May 2009 were ratified.

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