

Children and Young People Committee

Minutes CYP(3)-03-09

Date: Tuesday 10 February 2009

Time: 9:15 - 11:00

Venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Helen Mary Jones (Chair)
Christine Chapman, Cynon Valley
Ann Jones, Vale of Clwyd
Kirsty Williams, Brecon and Radnorshire

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Tom Jackson, Clerk
Rita Phillips, Deputy Clerk
Kathryn Potter, Members Research Service
Helen Roberts, Legal Adviser

Others in Attendance

Anne Crowley, Assistant Director, Save the Children Wales
Rhian Croak, United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child Monitoring Officer, Save the Children
Debbie Budlender, Community Agency for Social Enquiry (via audio conferencing)

Item 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. Ann Jones acted as her regular substitute.
- 1.3 Apologies were also received from Angela Burns. There was no substitute.

Item 2: Inquiry into Children's Budgeting

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- 2.1 Anne Crowley and Rhian Croke responded to questions from the Committee.

Actions:

Committee Secretariat to circulate a report on public expenditure on children in the UK, commissioned by Save the Children UK, when it is published in early March.

- 2.2 The Chair thanked Anne Crowley and Rhian Croke for attending the Committee to give evidence.

The Committee agreed a motion, under Standing Order 10.25, and adjourned the meeting for 5 minutes.

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- 2.3 The Chair welcomed Debbie Budlender and thanked her for participating via audio conferencing.
- 2.4 Debbie Budlender responded to questions from the Committee.

Actions:

Debbie Budlender to provide a case study which illustrated the correlation between levels of spend and better outcome for children and young people.

- 2.5 The Chair thanked Debbie Budlender for providing evidence to the Committee.

The Committee agreed, under Standing Order 10.37 (vi), that the rest of the meeting would be held in private.

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