Equality of Opportunity Committee

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Time: 9.30 - 10.50

Venue: Committee Room 3, Senedd, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in attendance

Ann Jones, Vale of Clwyd (Chair) Mohammad Asghar, South Wales East Lorraine Barrett, Cardiff South and Penarth Veronica German, South Wales East Janet Ryder, North Wales

Witnesses

Item 2

Carl Sargeant AM, Minister for Social Justice and Local Government Joanne Glenn, Welsh Assembly Government Gill Lambert, Welsh Assembly Government

Item 3

Leighton Andrews AM, Minister for Children, Education and Lifelong Learning Chris Burdett, Welsh Assembly Government Sam Huckle, Welsh Assembly Government

Committee Staff

Claire Morris, Clerk Catherine Hunt, Deputy Clerk Sarah Hatherley, Members' Research Service Hannah Johnson, Members' Research Service Helen Roberts, Legal Adviser

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions and Declarations of Interest

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 m The\ Chair\ welcomed\ Committee\ Members\ and\ members\ of\ the\ public.}$
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Joyce Watson. Lorraine Barrett attended as a substitute.
- 1.3 There were no declarations of interest.

Item 2: Follow-up on Inquiry into Issues affecting Migrant Workers in Wales (published November 2008) – Oral Evidence from the Minister for Social Justice and Local Government

Paper: EOC(3)-03-11(p1)

2.1 The Committee took evidence from Carl Sargeant AM, the Minister for Social Justice and Local Government, as part of its follow up to its inquiry into issues affecting migrant workers in Wales.

Action

The Minister for Social Justice and Local Government agreed to provide additional information on the timescale for the availability of the online Understanding Wales pack in other languages; and on whether the National Recognition Information Centre services would be taken forward by the future Minister for Equalities or Education.

Item 3: Follow-up on Inquiry into Service Provision for Disabled Young People (published January 2007) – Oral Evidence from the Minister for Children, Education and Lifelong Learning

Paper: EOC(3)-03-11(p2)

3.1 The Committee took evidence Leighton Andrews AM, the Minister for Children, Education and Lifelong Learning as part of its follow-

up on the inquiry into Services for Disabled Young People in Wales, which was published in 2007.

Paper Noted

4.1 The Committee noted the following paper:

Minutes of meeting held on 1 February 2011 EOC(3)-02-11