

Legislation Committee No 3

Minutes (LC3(3)-05-09)

Date: Wednesday 25 February 2009

Time: 9:15 - 10:20

Venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd, National Assembly for Wales

Assembly Members in Attendance

Peter Black AM, South Wales West
Alun Cairns AM, South Wales West
Christine Chapman AM, Cynon Valley
Janice Gregory AM, Ogmore
Janet Ryder AM, North Wales

Legislation Office Officials in Attendance

Fay Bowen, Clerk
Ruth Hatton, Deputy Clerk

Others in Attendance

Joanest Jackson, Legal Adviser

Witnesses

Gwenda Thomas AM, Deputy Minister for Social Services
John Carter, Head of Vulnerable Adults and Carers Branch
Therese Gray, Legal Services

Item 1: Introduction, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Helen Mary Jones AM

Item 3: The National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Social Welfare) Order 2009 relating to carers

- 3.1 The Committee took evidence from Gwenda Thomas AM, Deputy Minister for Social Services.
- 3.2 The Deputy Minister agreed to write to the Committee with further advice and information on the suggested amendment by the Down's Syndrome Association in relation to social care services; patterns of care for young carers in relation to the terms 'regular and substantial' especially in relation to sibling care; and support for a child caring for a sibling because a parent is unable to provide care.
- 3.3 In accordance with Standing Order 10.37(vi), the Committee resolved to meet in private for future meetings when considering its draft report relating to the National Assembly for Wales (Legislative Competence) (Social Welfare) Order 2009.