

LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 15 January 2003

Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Committee Room 2, National Assembly for Wales.

Item 1: **Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

Item 2: **Minister's report (9.30am)**

Purpose: To receive an oral report from the Minister for Finance, Local Government & Communities

Item 3: **Local Government Electoral Arrangements in Wales (10.00am)**

Purpose: For the Committee to vote on the motion proposed by the Plaid Cymru Group on the recommendations contained in the Sunderland Report, as debated at the LGH meeting on 11 December 2002.

Paper: LGH-01-03 (p.1)

Item 4: **Update on the Local Government Bill (10.15am)**

Purpose: To update the Committee on the progress of the Local Government Bill

Paper: LGH-01-03 (p.2)

In attendance: Kate Cassidy - Local Government Modernisation
Frank Cuthbert - Local Government Modernisation

Break for 15 minutes from 10.45am to 11.00am

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| Item 5: | Presentation from WLGA on Corporate Parenting (11.00am) |
| Purpose: | To advise the Committee of the WLGA's role in Corporate Parenting |
| In attendance: | Councillor Shan Wilkinson – WLGA spokesperson on Social Affairs and leader of Wrexham County Borough Council Colin Everett – Director of Syniad Joe Howsam – Director of Social Affairs, Caerphilly County Borough Council and Representative of the Association of Directors of Social Services. |
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| Item 6: | Policy Review of Community Regeneration - Capacity Building: Consideration of Emerging Issues and Initial Recommendations (12.00pm) |
| Purpose: | To inform the Committee of the emerging issues of the policy review and to seek its views on the initial recommendations |
| Paper: | LGH-01-03 (p.3) Annex 1 Annex 2 |
| In attendance: | Professor Dave Adamson |
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| Item 7: | Minutes of the 11 December 2002 Meeting |

Purpose:

To ratify the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2002

Paper:

LGH-18-02 (min)