

Rural Development Sub-committee

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Proposed terms of reference for the Sub-committee's inquiry into poverty and deprivation in rural Wales

Purpose

1. This paper proposes suggested terms of reference for the Sub-committee's second scrutiny inquiry into poverty and deprivation in rural Wales.
2. Members are invited to agree the proposed terms of reference below.

Background

3. At its meeting on 27 September 2007, the Sub-committee considered an initial scoping paper on rural service delivery and agreed that the scoping paper be revised to focus on poverty and deprivation in rural Wales.
4. The Sub-committee considered a revised scoping paper at its meeting on 18 October 2007 and agreed to consider proposed terms of reference for its second inquiry at a future meeting.

Proposed terms of reference

5. Proposed terms of reference for the inquiry are:

To examine issues relating to poverty and deprivation in rural Wales and to scrutinise the relevance and effectiveness of Welsh Assembly Government policy in this area.

6. With reference to available data sources, the Sub-committee will examine the extent and nature of poverty and deprivation in rural Wales.

7. The Sub-committee will examine issues relating to poverty and deprivation in rural Wales by reference to the following groups:

Children and young people;
The economically active;
The economically inactive; and
Older people.

Recommendation

8. The Sub-committee is invited to approve the proposed terms of reference for the inquiry into poverty and deprivation in rural Wales.

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