

OUTSTANDING ACTION POINTS FROM SJ &R MEETINGS

Action point [lead Division]	Progress	Target completion date
Third meeting: 16 March 2005		
03.08 The Minister would inform Committee of when results about the Personal Support project for 11-18 year olds would be available. Community Safety Unit	Recruitment of the 2 personal support workers has now been completed and both were in post by the end of 2005.	The project and evaluation began September 2005. Minister will provide further information following the evaluation, which is due in September 2006.
03.13 The Minister would provide a report for Committee on the implementation of recommendation 19 of the policy review on housing for older people. Housing	The first stage of this review will involve a research study to: examine the current provision of accommodation for older people in Wales; assess the appropriateness of current provision for current and future occupants; and appraise how the economy of accommodation provision will need to respond to the changing needs and demands of older people.	Consultants have been appointed. Target completion Summer 2006.
Fifth Meeting: 18 May 2005		
05.08 The Minister agreed that LAs be asked to respond to the letter issued by Housing on the issue of housing for domestic abuse victims. Housing	A letter was sent to all local authority housing departments in Wales on 16 June 2005 reminding them that they should not require direct evidence of violence when persons present to them as homeless. A further letter was sent to local authorities on 9 September 2005 reiterating the point made previously and requesting information	A report was presented to the Minister at the end of January. An overview of the Report has been included in the Minister's report. Completed

	on their housing and support services for victims of abuse by 30 September 2005.	
Seventh Meeting: 6 July 2005		
07.10 Minister agreed to report back on the success of the publicity arrangement for the Equity Release Schemes. Housing.	Care & Repair Cymru are currently in negotiation with a contractor on the production of suitable publicity material.	The Minister will provide a note to Committee in May 2006 following the launch of the publicity material.
Ninth Meeting: 20 October 2005		
09.03 The Minister would report back to Committee on feedback received from LA's following implementation of the recommendations of the DFG review report. Housing		Further update to Committee in May 2006
10th Meeting: 16 November 2005		
10.02 The Minister agreed to provide an update on the CAF/CASS pensions issue. Emyr Roberts		Committee to be informed as soon as issue is resolved.
10.07 The Minister agreed to report annually over the next 3 years on the impact of the Homelessness Strategy Housing		Early 2007, with a progress report in Summer 2006.
10.08 The Minister agreed to share the research into causes of homelessness with Committee when available in the new year Housing		In-house research is in progress and will be completed by the end of May 2006. Depending on findings, further primary research may then be commissioned.
10.09 The Minister will report to Committee on progress of the rural observatory. Housing		Draft report to be available by the end of March - progress report during the Summer Term.

10.11 Minister to report back to Committee on the outcomes of work by the Tariff Review Group, in respect of supporting people. Housing	The tariff review group has concluded its considerations and this now forms the basis of advice which is under consideration by the Minister	The Minister made an announcement on the 27 th of February.
11th Meeting: 8 December 2005		
11.02 The Minister to undertake a mapping exercise on service provision (including security/benefits/adaptations/public utilities energy action schemes) through Care and Repair and other agencies across Wales and report back. Housing		June 2006
11.03 The Minister to report back on Housing Information Packs to include the Welsh language, older properties and training for undertaking new reports. Housing		Oral updated provided to Committee on 12 th of January. The Minister to circulate information from the approved assessment centres that monitor the number of Home Inspectors in training in due course.
11.05 The Minister to provide information on the project being undertaken with the RNIB relating to housing and the visually impaired. Housing		Minister provided an oral update at Committee on the 9 th of Feb and agreed to circulate a note to Committee on the research undertaken by RNIB Cymru before the end of the Spring Term.
11.09 The Minister to provide an update on Community Land Trust issues. Housing		Paper to be tabled for Committee in the Summer Term.
1st Meeting: 12 January 2006		
01.03 Minister agreed to update Committee on the outcomes of the joint working group between Youth Justice Board and the Welsh Assembly Government.	This work is nearing completion. The report is expected to be completed in March and the Minister will update the Committee once agreement has been	March 2006.

Community Safety Unit	reached with the Youth Justice Board.	
01.12 The Minister agreed to make the Homelessness research available to Committee in her next report. Housing Division		The Minister agreed to circulate a note to Committee on homelessness before the end of the Spring Term.
01.13 The Minister agreed to raise with the Wales Office the Issue of the suspension of the 'Right to Buy' scheme Housing Division		To be added to the agenda of her next bilateral
01.14 The Minister agreed to update Committee on progress on the Homelessness Strategy and unfit homes in the Private Sector Housing Division		Unfit homes information to be circulated to Committee in due course
01.15 The Minister agreed to provide a note to Committee on the Respect Agenda and the legislation effected by it. Community Safety Unit		Completed
01.17 The Minister to report back to Committee on Fire Link after discussions with Fire Authorities. Housing		The Minister is considering the options and will report to Committee at the next meeting.
01.23 The Minister agreed that the Social Enterprise Strategy Action plan needed to address the issue of asset transfers as a priority specifically in respect of Local Government assets agenda. Communities		Update in Minister's report. Completed
01.24 The Minister to provide a report on the Domestic Abuse 'Help Line' evaluation,	The report has been completed and officials are evaluating the findings.	The results of the evaluation will be made available as soon as possible..

including a breakdown of the figures for the Welsh Language provision, Community Safety Unit		
01.26 The Domestic Abuse Working Group to consider the provision of counselling services. Community Safety Unit		This will be discussed at the next All Wales Working Group on Domestic Abuse on the 14 th of March.
01.27 The Minister agreed to look at the data statistical data available for an evaluation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy. Community Safety Unit	Officials are currently examining data sources including Helpline, Police Incident, Crown Prosecution Service and British Crime Survey Data. It will take time before any trends emerge.	The Minister will keep the Committee updated via regular monthly reports about published data.
01.28 The Minister agreed to look into the possibility of Care & Repair providing a service for tenants in the social housing sector as well as owner-occupiers. Housing	Currently in discussion with Care & Repair Cymru to explore the potential for cross-tenure involvement.	The Minister to report to Committee on the 6 th of July.
01.29 The Minister agreed to provide an update on the Housing for Older People Policy Review recommendations, 12-14, equity release issues. Housing	Update provided on 12 February. See also action point 7.10	Regularly
01.30 The Domestic Abuse Working Group to consider the availability of refuge spaces. Housing		The mater will be discussed at the next meeting of the Working Group in March 2006.
2nd Meeting: 9 February 2006		
02.02 The Minister agreed to write to the DTI on "Face to Face Debt Advice Service". Communities		Letter to be issued in March
02.03 The Minister agreed to update Committee on continued		Update will be provided when further progress is made.

discussions between the Forestry Commission and local authorities on the release of land for housing. Housing		
02.04 The Minister agreed to consider the specific data relating to levels of crack cocaine misuse in Wales and report back to Committee. Community Safety Unit.		Included in Minister's report. Completed
02.05 The Minister agreed to consult with the Home Office on the timetable of the proposed legalisation to restructure the Probation Service. Community Safety Unit		The Minister will raise this when she meets Baroness Scotland on 9 March and will report back to Committee.
02.06 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the needs of migrant workers and homelessness. Housing		In due course.
02.07 The Minister agreed to consider the definition of the policy of LA's against the un-hypothecated allocation of budgets for DFG's and circulate figures to Committee. Housing		Figures to be circulated before March meeting and separate paper to be tabled in the Summer Term.
02.10 The Minister agreed to discuss with the Secretary of State for Wales on extending the winter fuel payment scheme to the disabled. Housing		Added to agenda for bilateral on 20/03/06
02.11 The Minister agreed to consider and report back to Committee on impact assessments for housing stock transfers		Report back to Committee in June.

and property for rent schemes. Housing		
02.12 The Minister agreed to report to Committee on Homebuy when she had concluded her discussions. Housing		In due course.
02.13 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the equity share scheme. Housing		Before the end of the Spring Term.
02.14 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the use of income generated by RSL schemes. Housing		Note to be circulated in before the end of the Spring Term.
02.15 The Minister agreed to consider strategic linkages and statistics for inclusion in the next sustainable development report to Committee. Business Unit		In due course.
02.16 The Minister agreed to update Committee on laith Pawb. Business Unit.		Paper for Committee on the 15th of March. Completed