Social Justice and Regeneration Committee

Minutes (SJR(2)-04-07)

Date: Wednesday 7 March 2007 Time: 9.30am – 12.40pm Venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Constituency
Mick Bates (Chair)	Montgomeryshire
Mark Isherwood	North Wales
Irene James	Islwyn
Laura Ann Jones	South Wales East
Trish Law	Blaenau Gwent
Huw Lewis	Merthyr Tydfil & Rhymney
Sandy Mewies	Delyn
Leanne Wood	South Wales Central

Others in Attendance

Name	Representing (if applicable)	Agenda item(s)
Sian West	National Offender Management System Wales	4
Jim A'Herne	National Offender Management System Wales	4
Tegryn Jones	Keep Wales Tidy	5
Kathryn Britton	Keep Wales Tidy	5
Mick Giannasi	Gwent Police	6

Carl Close	WAG Police Liaison Officer	6
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Committee Service

Name	Job title
Virginia Hawkins	Committee Clerk
Claire Griffiths	Deputy Committee Clerk

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

1.1 As Janice Gregory was unavailable, the Committee appointed Mick Bates as temporary Chair under Standing Order 8.20.

1.2 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public.

1.3 Apologies were received from Janice Gregory. Irene James substituted. There were no declarations of interest

1.4 A verbatim record of the meeting is available

Item 2: Minutes of the previous meeting

Paper: SJR(2)-03-07(min)

The Committee ratified the minutes from the meeting on 1 February 2007

Item 3: Assets Recovery Agency

Paper: SJR(2)-04-07(p.1)

Members noted the paper on the work of the Assets Recovery Agency

Some issues were raised which the Secretariat will forward to the Agency for reply.

Item 4: National Offender Management System Wales

Paper: SJR(2)-04-07(p.2)

Committee received a presentation from Sian West, Acting Director of NOMS Wales on its work and its relationship with the Probation Service. Jim A'Herne, Commissioning Manger for NOMS Wales

was also in attendance.

Committee noted that once costings for the new Trusts and details of the proposed site for a new prison in Wales are available, they will be forwarded to the relevant Assembly Minister.

Item 5: Keep Wales Tidy

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Paper: SJR(2)-04-07 (p.3) Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4
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Committee received a presentation on the work Keep Wales Tidy undertakes on community safety. Tegryn Jones, Chief Executive of KWT and Kathryn Britton, an Environmental Officer with KWT, gave the presentation.

Committee noted that Tegryn Jones will write about how KWT works with specific projects and organisations in North Wales.

Item 6: Neighbourhood Policing

Paper: SJR(2)-04-07 (p.4)

Committee received a presentation on neighbourhood policing from Deputy Chief Constable Mick Giannasi of Gwent Police. DCC Giannasi was accompanied by the Welsh Assembly Government's Police Liaison Officer, Superintendent Carl Close.