Legislation Committee No 5

Minutes (LC5(3)-03-10)

Meeting date: 24 February 2010

Meeting time: 9.00am

Meeting venue: Committee Room 2, Senedd

Assembly Members in Attendance

Mark Isherwood AM (Chair) Alun Davies AM Val Lloyd AM Darren Millar AM Leanne Wood AM

Legislation Office

Bethan Davies, Clerk Leanne Hatcher, Deputy Clerk

Others in Attendance

Bethan Roberts, Legal Adviser Stephen Boyce, Members' Research Service

Witnesses

Keith Towler, Children's Commissioner for Wales Joseph Carter, Vice Chair of the Wales Neurological Alliance and MS Society Cymru Carol Thomas-Wyllie, Motor Neurone Disease Association

Item 1: Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

1. Introduction, Apologies and Substitutions

1.1 The Chair said that apologies for absence had been received by Andrew Davies and Eleanor Burnham. The Committee welcomed Val Lloyd who was substituting for Andrew Davies in accordance with Standing Order 10.42.

2. Proposed Carers Strategies (Wales) Measure - Stage 1: Evidence session 2

2.1 Children's Commissioner for Wales

2.1 The Committee took oral evidence from Keith Towler, Children's Commissioner for Wales.

Action

The Clerk agreed to circulate the Children's Commissioner for Wales' report 'Full of Care - Young Carers in Wales 2009' and the Annual report 08-09

2.2 Wales Neurological Alliance (09.45)

2.2 The Committee took oral evidence from Joseph Carter, Vice Chair of the Wales Neurological Alliance and MS Society Cymru and; Carol Thomas-Wyllie, Motor Neurone Disease Association, who also attended in her role as a carer.

Item 3: Date of the next meeting

3.1 The Committee noted that the date of the next meeting would be 3 March 2010.

4: Consideration of evidence (Private Session)

4.1 The Chair invited the Committee to resolve to exclude the public from item 4 of the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 10.37(vi):

A Committee may resolve to exclude the public from a meeting or any part of a meeting where:

(vi) the Committee is deliberating on the content, conclusions or recommendations of a report it proposes to publish.

4.2 The Committee agreed the proposal.