

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 29 November 2021

Meeting time: 13.30 – 15.59

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Attendance

| Category | Names |
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| Members of the Senedd: | Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair) Rhys ab Owen MS Alun Davies MS |
| Witnesses: | Mick Antoniw MS, Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution Claire Fife, Welsh Government Dylan Hughes, Welsh Government |
| Committee Staff: | P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Sara Moran (Researcher) Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser) |

1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

Apologies were received from Peter Fox MS.



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2 Codes of Welsh law programme and proposals for the accessibility of Welsh law: Evidence session with the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

The Committee received evidence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution in relation to the Codes of Welsh law programme and proposals for the accessibility of Welsh law.

3 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

3.1 SL(6)086 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Restrictions) (Wales) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2021

The Committee considered the instrument and agree to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

4 Standing Order 30B Report: The European Union (Withdrawal) Act and Common Frameworks and Frameworks Analysis 2021

The Committee noted the Welsh Government's statement and the UK Government's report.

5 Papers to note

5.1 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Quadrilateral Ministerial meeting on Common Frameworks

The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

5.2 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: SL(6)072 – The Valuation for Rating (Wales) (Coronavirus) Regulations 2021

The Committee noted the correspondence with the Minister for Finance and Local Government.

5.3 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: The Rating (Coronavirus) and Directors Disqualification (Dissolved Companies) Bill 2021

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government to all Senedd Members.

5.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on the Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill

The Committee noted the response from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd to its report on the Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Animal Welfare (Kept Animals) Bill.

5.5 Correspondence from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Skills and Post-16 Education Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence between the Children, Young People and Education Committee and the Minister for Education and Welsh Language.

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

The Committee agreed the motion.

7 Codes of Welsh law programme and proposals for the accessibility of Welsh law: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence received during its session with the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution and how it would inform future work planning.

8 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Bill – consideration of draft report

The Committee considered and agreed, subject to minor amendments, its report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Leasehold Reform (Ground Rent) Bill. The Committee noted the report would be laid by the required deadline.

9 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Building Safety Bill – Consideration of draft report

The Committee considered its draft report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Building Safety Bill. The Committee agreed to consider a revised draft at the next meeting.

10 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum: Advanced Research and Invention Agency Bill

The Committee considered the Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Advanced Research and Invention Agency Bill, and key points to include in its report. The Committee agreed to consider its draft report at the next meeting.

11 Briefing note on international agreements

The Committee considered the following international agreements:

- International Labour Organisation: Violence and Harassment Convention 2019 (No. 190);
- International Convention for the Control and Management of Ship's Ballast Water and Sediment;

and agreed to consider its draft report on the agreements at the next meeting.

In addition, the Committee noted the letter from the First Minister in relation to the UK/Switzerland Convention on social security coordination, and agreed to draw it to the attention of the Health and Social Care Committee.