

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

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Meeting date: Monday, 6 June 2022

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Meeting time: 13.30 – 17.23

Remote

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Sarah Murphy MS Sioned Williams MS Ken Skates MS
Witnesses:	Naomi Alleyne, Welsh Local Government Association Joanne Hopkins, Public Health Wales Wanjiku Mbugua– Ngotho, BAWSO Sara Kirkpatrick, Welsh Women’s Aid Kirsty Thomson, Just Rights Scotland Andrea Cleaver, Welsh Refugee Council
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Equality and Social Justice Committee.

The Chair stated that if for any reason she dropped out of the meeting, the Committee agreed that Sarah Murphy MS would become Temporary Chair in accordance with Standing Order 17.22.

No apologies were received.

2 Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence – migrant women: evidence session 1

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Wanjiku Mbugua–Ngotho, BAWSO

Sara Kirkpatrick, Welsh Women's Aid

Andrea Cleaver, Welsh Refugee Council

3 Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence – migrant women: evidence session 2

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Joanne Hopkins, Public Health Wales

Naomi Alleyne, Welsh Local Government Association

4 Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence – migrant women: evidence session 3

Members heard evidence from Kirsty Thomson of Just Rights Scotland.

5 Papers to note

5.1 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee (including Committee Chairs)

Members noted the correspondence.

5.2 Correspondence with the Minister for Social Justice regarding debt, alcohol addiction and substance misuse

Members noted the correspondence.

5.3 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice: Welsh Government response to Committee report on annual scrutiny of the Future Generations Commissioner

Members noted the correspondence.

6 Motion under SO17.42 (iv) to exclude the public from the remainder of today's meeting and the meeting on 9 June 2022

Members agreed the motion.

7 Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence – migrant women: consideration of evidence

Members considered the evidence that they had heard in the three evidence sessions.

8 Forward work programme

Members agreed to revisit the forward work plan at the Committee meeting on 13 June 2022.