

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Monday, 11 July 2022

Meeting time: 10.30 – 17.20

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Sioned Williams MS Ken Skates MS Joel James MS Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Witnesses:	Marie Brousseau-Navarro, Future Generations Commissioner for Wales Ed Evans, Civil Engineering Contractors Association Alan Felstead, Cardiff University Ben Lloyd, WCVA Liz Lucas, Caerphilly County Borough Council Jon Rae, Welsh Local Government Association
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk)



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	Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk) Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser) Samiwel Davies (Legal Adviser)
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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

Apologies were received from Sarah Murphy.

Sioned Williams was substituted by Peredur Owen Griffiths and Altaf Hussain was substituted by Joel James for all items on the agenda relating to the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill. Mike Hedges was substitute for Ken Skates on item 5 of the agenda.

2 Papers to note

Members noted the papers.

- 2.1 Correspondence from the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Chair regarding the convention on preventing and combating violence against women**
- 2.2 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice and Counsel General to the Llywydd regarding the Bill of Rights Bill**
- 2.3 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice to the Chair of the Equality and Social Justice Committee regarding the appointment of the Future Generations Commissioner for Wales (2023 – 2030)**
- 2.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice to the Chair regarding Fuel poverty report recommendations**
- 2.5 Correspondence from Jane Dodds MS regarding the Committee report on Debt and the Pandemic**
- 2.6 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for Social Justice regarding UK Government proposals to reform the Human Rights Act 1998**
- 3 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 7 – Procurement experts**

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Ed Evans, CECA Wales

Liz Lucas, Caerphilly Council

4 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 8 – Voluntary sector

Members heard evidence from:

Ruth Marks, WCVA

Kirsty Cumming, Community Leisure UK

5 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 9 – Think tanks and academics

Members heard evidence from:

Professor Alan Felstead, Cardiff University

Professor Edmund Heery, Cardiff University

Professor Lydia Hayes, University of Kent

6 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 10 – public sector employers

Members heard evidence from:

Karen Higgins, Welsh Local Government Association

Jon Rae, Welsh Local Government Association

Marie Brousseau-Navarro, Future Generations Commissioner's Office

Alice Horn, Future Generations Commissioner's Office

7 Motion under SO17.42 (iv) and (ix) to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

Members agreed the motion.

8 Social Partnership Bill: consideration of evidence

Members considered the evidence.

9 Consideration of EUSS Report

Members considered the EUSS report.

10 Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse, and sexual violence – migrant women: consideration of key issues

Members considered the key issues relating to the Inquiry into violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence – migrant women and agreed to consider a draft report following recess.

11 Forward Work Programme

Members considered the Forward Work Programme.