

# Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Monday, 24 April 2023

Meeting time: 13.30 – 16.00

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### 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
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk) Gareth Thomas (Research)

### 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

No apologies, substitutions nor declarations of interest were received.

### 2 Papers to note

Members noted the papers.



In relation to Item 2.8, Members agreed to write to the Minister to seek additional information relating to the issues raised.

- 2.1 Correspondence from the Chair of the Local Government and Housing Committee to the Minister for Climate Change regarding building safety
- 2.2 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice regarding the proposed addition of new public bodies to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
- 2.3 Correspondence with the Minister for Social Justice regarding the EU Settlement Scheme
- 2.4 Correspondence from Citizens' Advice Cymru to the Minister for Social Justice regarding energy companies
- 2.5 Correspondence from the Chair of the Public Accounts and Public Administration Committee regarding Audit Wales' report on Digital Inclusion
- 2.6 Correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Social Partnership regarding the Shadow Social Partnership Council
- 2.7 Correspondence from the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to Lord Bellamy regarding evidence relating to the justice system in Wales
- 2.8 Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on women's experiences of the criminal justice system
- 2.9 Correspondence from the Finance Committee regarding the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2024–25 programme of engagement
- 2.10 Correspondence between the Chair and the Finance Committee regarding Scrutiny of the Draft Budget 2023–24
- 3 Motion under SO17.42 (vi) and (ix) to exclude the public for the remainder of the meeting

Members agreed the motion.

#### **4 Debt and the impact of the rising cost of living: consideration of draft report**

Members considered the draft report and agreed to finalise the report outside of Committee.

#### **5 Forward work programme: consideration of approach to Anti-Racist Wales Action Plan**

Members considered the Committee's approach to work concerning the Anti-Racist Wales Action Plan, and agreed to write to the Minister for Social Justice to seek additional information.

#### **6 The public health approach to preventing gender-based violence: engagement approach**

Members considered options for engagement work regarding the Public Health approach to preventing gender-based violence inquiry.

#### **7 EU Settlement Scheme: monitoring report**

Members noted the EU Settlement Scheme monitoring report.