

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 4, Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Monday, 16 October 2023

Meeting time: 13.30 – 15.25

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Carolyn Thomas MS (In place of Huw Irranca–Davies MS) Alun Davies MS (Chair) James Evans MS Luke Fletcher MS (In place of Adam Price MS)
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Gruffydd Owen (Legal Adviser)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

Huw Irranca–Davies and Adam Price sent their apologies. In accordance with the motion agreed at the previous meeting, Alun Davies acted as temporary chair.

The Committee welcomed Carolyn Thomas and Luke Fletcher as substitutions.



2 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Evidence session with the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

The Committee received evidence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

3 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

3.1 SL(6)389 – The National Health Service (Optical Charges and Payments) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2023

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

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

4.1 SL(6)388 – The National Health Service (Ophthalmic Services) (Wales) Regulations 2023

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

4.2 SL(6)391 – The School Teachers' Pay and Conditions (No. 2) (Wales) Order 2023

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting point identified.

4.3 SL(6)390 – The Environmental Protection (Single-use Plastic Products) (Wales) Act 2023 (Commencement No. 1) Order 2023

The Committee considered the order and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

5 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 – previously considered

5.1 SL(6)382 – The Local Elections (Principal Areas) (Single Transferable Vote) (Wales) Rules 2023

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

6 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

6.1 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Inter–Ministerial Standing Committee

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

7 Papers to note

7.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change: Response to Recommendation 1 in the Committee's report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Energy Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change.

7.2 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: The availability of disaggregated data on the criminal justice system in Wales

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

7.3 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Act 2023

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

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

The Committee agreed the motion.

9 Senedd Cymru (Members and Elections) Bill: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence provided by the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution, and agreed to write to the Counsel General with supplementary questions.

Made Negative Resolution Instruments

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Affirmative Resolution Instruments

10 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 5) on the Levelling-up and Regeneration Bill: Draft report

The Committee agreed its draft report.