

Concise Minutes – Committee for the Scrutiny of the First Minister

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid: Committee Room 5 and Video

Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Friday, 26 April 2024

Meeting time: 10.04 – 13.01

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	David Rees MS (Chair) James Evans MS (In place of Russell George MS) John Griffiths MS Llyr Gruffydd MS Jenny Rathbone MS Jack Sargeant MS
Witnesses:	Vaughan Gething MS, First Minister of Wales Alistair Davey, Welsh Government Taryn Stephens, All Wales Heads of Children’s Services (AWHOCs) Dr Rachel Garside-Jones, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Meriel Singleton (Clerk) Bethan Garwood (Deputy Clerk) Michael Dauncey (Researcher)



	Sian Thomas (Researcher) Samiwel Davies (Legal Adviser)
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1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and witnesses to the meeting. Apologies were received from Russel George MS; James Evans MS substituted for him. David Rees and James Evans declared interests regarding family members working in Children's Services.

2 Care-experienced children

- 2.1 The Committee scrutinised the First Minister on policy relating to Care-experienced children.

3 General Scrutiny

- 3.1 Members asked the First Minister questions on topical matters.

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

- 4.1 The motion was agreed.

5 Discussion of previous evidence sessions

- 5.1 The Committee discussed the evidence from the session.

- 5.2 The Committee noted the letter from the First Minister.

6 Discussion of future meetings

- 6.1 The Committee agreed to hold the next meeting on 12 July on the topic of Rural Communities.