

Agenda – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 (Senedd)

Meeting date: 11 March 2024

Meeting time: 13:30– 17:00

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Pre-meeting registration (13:15 – 13:30)

- 1 **Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**
(13:30)
- 2 **Governance of Fire and Rescue Services: panel five**
(13:30–14:30) (Pages 1 – 22)
Adrian Crompton, Auditor General for Wales
Gary Emery, Audit Director
Martin Peters, Head of Law and Ethics
- 3 **Motion under SO17.42 (vi) to exclude the public from items four and seven of today's agenda and from item one of the agenda on the meeting of 18 March 2024**
(14:30)
- 4 **The public health approach to preventing Gender Based Violence: consideration of Welsh Government response**
(14:30–14:45) (Pages 23 – 45)

Break (14:45–15:00)

- 5 **Governance of Fire and Rescue Services: panel six**
(15:00–16:45)



Councillor Dylan Rees, Chair of the North Wales Fire and Rescue Authority

Dawn Docx, Chief Fire Officer of the North Wales Fire and Rescue Service

Councillor Gwynfor Thomas, Chair of the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority

Roger Thomas, Chief Fire Officer of the Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Authority

Councillor Steven Bradwick, former Chair of the South Wales Fire and Rescue Authority

Dewi Rose, Temporary Deputy Chief Fire Officer for South Wales Fire and Rescue Service

6 Papers to note

(16:45)

6.1 Correspondence between the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip to the Chair regarding the Youth Justice Summit on Speech, Language and Communication needs

(Pages 46 – 48)

6.2 Correspondence from Jane Dodds to the Chair regarding the creation of a new Ministerial role for babies, children and young people

(Pages 49 – 51)

6.3 Written response from the Welsh Government regarding the Equality and Social Justice Committee's response to the 2024–25 Draft Budget

(Pages 52 – 77)

6.4 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee regarding Inter-ministerial standing Committee meeting

(Pages 78 – 79)

7 Governance of Fire and Rescue Services: consideration of evidence
(16:45–17:00)