

# Agenda – Local Government and Housing Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3

Meeting date: 13 March 2024

Meeting time: 09.00

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**(Pre-meeting 08.45 – 09.00)**

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

(09.00)

## **2 Private rented sector – Evidence session 5**

(09.00 – 09.50)

(Pages 1 – 38)

Ben Leonard, Senior Remote Organiser and Policy and Research Officer, Acorn UK Renters Union

Ben Twomey, Chief Executive, Generation Rent

Elizabeth Taylor, Engagement and Policy Officer, TPAS Cymru

Orla Tarn, President, NUS Wales

## **3 Private rented sector – Evidence session 6**

(09.50 – 10.40)

(Pages 39 – 67)

JJ Costello, Head of Housing Services, Shelter Cymru

Debbie Thomas, Head of Policy and Communications, Crisis

Steffan Evans, Head of Policy (Poverty), Bevan Foundation

Darren Baxter, Principal Policy Adviser, Joseph Rowntree Foundation

**(Break 10.40 – 10.50)**

## **4 Private rented sector – Evidence session 7**

(10.50 – 11.40)

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Steven Bletsoe, Wales Operations Manager, National Residential Landlords Association

Timothy Douglas, Head of Policy and Campaigns, PropertyMark

Richard Rowntree, Managing Director, Paragon Bank

## **5 Private rented sector – Evidence session 8**

(11.40 – 12.10)

(Pages 92 – 108)

James Hickman, Head of Outreach Projects, Dogs Trust

Billie-Jade Thomas, Senior Public Affairs Manager, RSPCA

Annabel Berdy, Senior Advocacy and Government Relations Officer, Cats Protection

## **6 Papers to note**

### **6.1 Letter from the Minister for Climate Change – Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25**

(Pages 109 – 111)

### **6.2 Additional evidence from Dr Edith England and Dr Josie Henley – Private rented sector**

(Pages 112 – 113)

### **6.3 Letter from the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee to the Minister for Climate Change – Legislative Consent Memorandum – Renters (Reform) Bill**

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## **7 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**

## **8 Private rented sector – Consideration of evidence**

(12.10 – 12.20)

## **9 Social housing supply – Approach to engagement**

(12:20 – 12:30)

(Pages 115 – 117)