

Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Wednesday, 6 March 2024

Meeting time: 09.15 – 11.56

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) Jayne Bryant MS Mabon ap Gwynfor MS (In place of Luke Fletcher MS) Joel James MS Sam Rowlands MS Carolyn Thomas MS
Witnesses:	Ceri Cryer, Age Cymru Matthew Dicks, Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru Serena Jones, Community Housing Cymru Becky Ricketts, Care and Repair Cymru David Rowlands, Tai Pawb
Committee Staff:	Catherine Hunt (Clerk) Angharad Era (Deputy Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Jennie Bibbings (Researcher)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Local Government and Housing Committee.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Luke Fletcher MS. Mabon ap Gwynfor MS substituted for Luke Fletcher MS.

2 Private rented sector – Evidence session 3

- 2.1 The Committee received evidence from:

Matthew Dicks, Director, Chartered Institute of Housing Cymru

David Rowlands, Policy Manager, Tai Pawb

Serena Jones, Executive Director of Operations, Coastal Housing Association

- 2.2 Serena Jones agreed to send the 2022 research findings from the UK Collaborative Centre for Housing Evidence in relation to rent controls.

3 Private rented sector – Evidence session 4

- 3.1 The Committee received evidence from:

Becky Ricketts, Policy and Research Officer, Care and Repair Cymru

Ceri Cryer, Policy Advisor, Age Cymru

- 3.2 Becky Ricketts agreed to provide details of case studies in relation to disabled facilities grants.

4 Papers to note

4.1 Letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government – Welsh Government Draft Budget 2024–25

4.1a The Committee noted the letter.

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

5.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

6 Private rented sector – consideration of evidence

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence.

7 Legislative Consent: Leasehold and Freehold Reform Bill – Consideration of draft report

7.1 The Committee considered the draft report.