

Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5, Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 27 November 2024

Meeting time: 09.15 – 12.35

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) James Evans MS Siân Gwenllïan MS Altaf Hussain MS Lee Waters MS
Witnesses:	Michelle Morris, Public Services Ombudsman for Wales Michael King, Society of Local Council Clerks Emma Smith, Society of Local Council Clerks Lyn Cadwallader, One Voice Wales Paul Egan, One Voice Wales Mike Theodoulou, One Voice Wales Robert Robertson, North and Mid Wales Association of Local Councils Ian Hodge, North and Mid Wales Association of Local Councils



Committee Staff:	Manon George (Clerk) Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk) Evan Jones (Deputy Clerk) Osian Bowyer (Researcher)
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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 Lesley Griffiths MS.

2 Inquiry into the role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector – evidence session 3

2.1 The Committee received evidence from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales.

3 Inquiry into the role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector – evidence session 4

3.1 The Committee received evidence from the Society of Local Council Clerks.

4 Inquiry into the role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector – evidence session 5

4.1 The Committee received evidence from One Voice Wales and the North and Mid Wales Association of Local Councils.

5 Papers to note

5.1 Correspondence from Welsh Cladiators regarding building safety

5.1 The Committee noted the correspondence.

5.2 Correspondence from Severn Wye regarding Rebate to Renovate

5.2 The Committee noted the correspondence.

5.3 Letter from the Llywydd to Tracy Gilbert MP regarding the Absent Voting (Elections in Scotland and Wales) Bill

5.3 The Committee noted the letter.

5.4 Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government with additional information following the meeting of 10 October 2024

5.4 The Committee noted the letter.

5.5 Letter from Building Communities Trust with additional information following the meeting of 14 November

5.5 The Committee noted the letter.

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

6.1 The Committee agreed the motion to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting.

7 Inquiry into the role, governance and accountability of the community and town council sector – consideration of evidence

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.