

Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 2 Senedd and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 26 September 2024

Meeting time: 09.17 – 15.18

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Buffy Williams MS (Chair) Cefin Campbell MS Gareth Davies MS Vaughan Gething MS Lee Waters MS
Witnesses:	Efa Gruffudd Jones, Welsh Language Commissioner Enlli Thomas, Bangor University Gwenno Ffrancon, Swansea University Dr Gwenllian Lansdown Davies, Mudiad Meithrin Angharad Morgan, Mudiad Meithrin Dr Gwennan Schiavone, Cymdeithas Ysgolion dros Addysg Gymraeg (CYDAG) Toni Schiavone, Cymdeithas yr Iaith Osian Rhys, Cymdeithas yr Iaith



	Heini Gruffudd, Dyfodol i'r Iaith Myfanwy Jones, Mentrau Iaith Cymru
Committee Staff:	Naomi Stocks (Clerk) Tom Lewis-White (Second Clerk) Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk) Jennifer Cottle (Legal Adviser) Manon Huws (Legal Adviser) Osian Bowyer (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Children, Young People and Education Committee.

1.2 Apologies were received from Hefin David MS, Lee Waters MS substituted for Hefin for items 1 to item 6. Vaughan Gething MS sent his apologies for items 1 to item 6, there was no substitute for Vaughan.

1.3 The Chair thanked Jack Sargeant for all his work on the Committee and wished him well in his new role.

1.3 Under Standing Order 17.24A Cefin Cambell MS declared an interest as he was part of the development of Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill.

2 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from items 3 and 9 of today's meeting

2.1 The motion was agreed.

3 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2025–26 – consideration of the scope and approach

3.1 The Committee agreed the approach to scrutinising the Welsh Government Draft Budget.

4 Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill – evidence session 2

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Commissioner.

5 Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill – evidence session 3

5.1 The Committee heard evidence from Professor Enlli Thomas and Professor Gwenno Ffrancon.

6 Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill – evidence session 4

6.1 The Committee heard evidence from Mudiad Meithrin and CYDAG.

6.2 Mudiad Meithrin agreed to provide further information on the exclusion of private schools in the Bill.

7 Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill – evidence session 5

7.1 The Chair welcomed Vaughan Gething to the Committee.

7.2 The Committee heard evidence from Cymdeithas yr Iaith Education Group, Dyfodol i'r Iaith and Mentrau Iaith Cymru.

8 Papers to note

8.1 The papers were noted.

9 Welsh Language and Education (Wales) Bill – consideration of the evidence

9.1 The Committee considered the evidence it had heard in the previous evidence sessions.