

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 4, Tŷ Hywel
and videoconference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 9 June 2025

Meeting time: 11.31 – 14.14

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Mike Hedges MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Samuel Kurtz MS Mabon ap Gwynfor MS (In place of Adam Price MS)
Witnesses:	Piers Bisson, Welsh Government James Gerard, Welsh Government Huw Irranca–Davies MS, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs Julie James MS, Counsel General and Minister for Delivery Charlie Thomas, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Nia Moss (Researcher)



	Sara Moran (Researcher) Jennifer Cottle (Legal Adviser)
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1 Introduction, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

Apologies were received from Adam Price MS. Mabon ap Gwynfor MS attended as substitute for items 1 and 2.

2 Scrutiny session with the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery

The Committee received evidence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery.

3 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

There were no items of business to consider.

4 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 – previously considered

4.1 Correcting errors in statutory instruments

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery in relation to items 4.1, 4.2 and 4.3.

4.2 SL(6)457 – The Special School Residential Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2024

4.3 SL(6)503 – The Cockle Fishing Management and Permitting (Specified Area) (Wales) Order 2024

5 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement

5.1 Correspondence from the Welsh Government: Meetings of inter-ministerial groups

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Welsh Government in relation to meetings of: the Interministerial Group on Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change; the Transport Inter-Ministerial Standing Committee; and the Finance: Interministerial Standing Committee.

5.2 Correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: The Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (Amendment etc.) Regulations 2025

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

6 Papers to note

6.1 Independent Water Commission: review of the water sector

The Committee noted the interim findings of the review.

6.2 Briefing by the Bevan Foundation: A strategic approach to rebuilding the immigration legal sector

The Committee noted the briefing.

6.3 Written Statement by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs: Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement: Report on Intergovernmental Relations 2023–2024

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs.

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

The motion was agreed.

8 Scrutiny session with the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence received from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs, and the Counsel General and Minister for Delivery.

9 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 3) on the Public Authorities (Fraud, Error and Recovery) Bill: Draft report

The Committee noted its outgoing correspondence to the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip, and agreed its draft report.

10 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 3) on the Employment Rights Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered its draft report and agreed to consider a revised version at a future meeting.

11 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 2) on the Planning and Infrastructure Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Energy and Planning. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum and agreed to consider a draft report at its next meeting.

12 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 2) on the Children's Wellbeing and Schools Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Education. The Committee also considered the Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum and agreed to consider a draft report at a future meeting.