

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5 (Ty Hywel)

Meeting date: Monday, 15 December
2025

Meeting time: 13.00 – 15.30

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Mick Antoniw MS Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Julie Morgan MS Sioned Williams MS
Witnesses:	Dr Robert Jones, Wales Governance Centre
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk) Sarah Hatherley (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

No apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest were given.



2 Experiences of the criminal justice system: evidence session with Dr Robert Jones

Members heard evidence from Dr Robert Jones, Wales Governance Centre.

3 Papers to note

Members noted the papers.

3.1 Correspondence from Mark Isherwood MS to the Finance Committee regarding his response to the Finance Committee's stage one report on the scrutiny of the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill

3.2 Correspondence from Public Health Wales to the Chair regarding the Sixth Senedd Legacy Report

3.3 Correspondence from Welsh Government to the Chair providing further information in respect of follow-up points to the scrutiny session on the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2026-27

3.4 Correspondence from Wales Women's Budget Group and the Women's Equality Network (WEN) Wales to the Chair regarding the publication of the Welsh Government's Draft Budget 2026-27

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public for the remainder of today's meeting

Members agreed the motion.

5 Experiences of the criminal justice system: consideration of evidence

Members considered the evidence.

6 Post-legislative scrutiny of the Future Generations Act: key issues

Members considered the key issues paper.