

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 (Senedd)

Meeting date: Monday, 23 June 2025

Meeting time: 13.34 – 15.37

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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:	Professor Calvin Jones, Cardiff Business School Dr Eleanor MacKillop, Cardiff University Dr Suzanna Nesom, University of York Dr Caer Smyth, Cardiff University
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk) Francesca Howorth (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest



No apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest were given.

2 Post-legislative scrutiny of the Future Generations Act: evidence session one – academic panel

Members heard evidence from an academic panel comprising of:

Professor Calvin Jones

Dr Caer Smyth, Cardiff University

Dr Suzanna Nesom, University of York

Dr Eleanor MacKillop, Research Fellow, Wales Centre for Public Policy, Cardiff University

3 Papers to note

Members noted the papers.

In relation to paper 3.8 Members agreed to write to the Minister for Children and Social Care to raise the Committee's concerns over the using of tasers on children. Members also agreed to write to the Children, Young People and Education Committee to see if they would like to write jointly to the Minister for Children and Social Care.

- 3.1 Correspondence to the Chair from Mark Beattie JP regarding the "Magistrates Matter" report
 - 3.2 Correspondence to the Legislation, Justice and the Constitution Committee from the Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Climate Change and Rural Affairs regarding the Inter-Institutional Agreement
 - 3.3 Correspondence to the Northern Ireland Assembly from the Scottish Parliament regarding proposed UK Welfare Reform
 - 3.4 Correspondence to the Chair from the Legislation, Justice and the Constitution Committee regarding amendments to the international Labour Convention
 - 3.5 Correspondence to the Chair from Disability Wales regarding Pathways to Work
 - 3.6 Correspondence to the Chair from the Bevan Foundation regarding the no recourse to public funds restriction and Child Poverty in Wales
 - 3.7 Correspondence to the Chair from the Independent Monitoring Authority regarding the Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill
 - 3.8 Correspondence to the Chair from the Children's Legal Centre Wales regarding tasers and children
- 4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

Members agreed the motion.

- 5 Post-legislative scrutiny of the Future Generations Act: evidence session one – academic panel: consideration of the evidence

Members considered the evidence.

6 Disability employment gap and welfare reform: consideration of draft correspondence

Members agreed the draft letter.