

Agenda – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 (Senedd)

Meeting date: 14 July 2025

Meeting time: 13.00–17.00

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Pre-meeting

(12:30–13:00)

Public meeting

(13:00–15:30)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(13:00)

2 The criminal justice system in Wales: Ministerial scrutiny session – session one

(13:00–14:00)

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Jane Hutt MS Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip

Sarah Murphy MS Minister for Health and Well Being

Mike Connolly, Deputy Director, Community Safety Division, Welsh Government

Alex Slade, Director of Primary Care, Mental Health & Early Years, Welsh Government

Break

(14:00–14:05)

3 The criminal justice system in Wales: Ministerial scrutiny session – session two

(14:05–15:30)



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Lord Timpson, Minister of State for Prisons, Probation and Reducing Reoffending, Ministry of Justice

Ian Barrow, Executive Director for HMPPS Wales

4 Papers to note

(15:30)

4.1 Correspondence from the Llywydd to the Chair regarding the Chair's Forum's consultation on 'Reviewing Committee Effectiveness in the Sixth Senedd'

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4.2 Correspondence from the Legislation, Justice and the Constitution Committee to the Minister for Mental Health and Well Being regarding HMP Parc Prison

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4.3 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip to the Chair of the Legislation, Justice and the Constitution Committee regarding the Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement

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4.4 Correspondence to the Chair from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip regarding the EU Settlement Scheme in Wales

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5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to exclude the public for items 6,8 & 9 of today's meeting and for the entirety of the Committee meeting on 21 July 2025

Private meeting

(15:30–16:00)

6 The criminal justice system in Wales: Ministerial scrutiny session – consideration of evidence

(15:30–15:45)

Break

(15:45–16:00)

Public meeting

(16:00–16:40)

- 7 Pre-appointment hearing for the National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Gender-based Violence, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence**

(16:00–16:40)

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Private meeting

(16:40–17:00)

- 8 Pre-appointment hearing for the National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Gender-based Violence, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence – consideration of draft report**

(16:40–16:50)

- 9 Social cohesion: initial consideration of draft report**

(16:50–17:00)

(To Follow)