

Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5, Tŷ Hywel

Meeting date: Wednesday, 22 October 2025

Meeting time: 09.30 – 12.35

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) Peter Fox MS Lesley Griffiths MS Siân Gwenllïan MS Joel James MS Lee Waters MS
Witnesses:	Jayne Bryant MS, Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government Jo Newth, Welsh Government Tania Nicholson, Welsh Government Steve Pomeroy, Welsh Government Audrey Johns, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Catherine Hunt (Clerk) Huw Gapper (Clerk)



	Evan Jones (Deputy Clerk)
	Harry Moyle (Legal Adviser)
	Jennie Bibbings (Researcher)
	Gwennan Hardy (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The start of the meeting was delayed until 09.30 due to a technical fault.
- 1.2 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 1.3 There were no apologies, substitutions or declarations of interest.

2 Building Safety (Wales) Bill: Evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government

2.1 The Committee received evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government.

2.2 The Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government agreed to providing additional information to the Committee as follows;

- Provide the Committee with a copy of their response to the questions raised on this Bill by the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee including those in respect of the need to simplify the complex legislative landscape for housing;
- Write to the Committee in light of further discussions the Cabinet Secretary intends to have with the social housing sector in respect of the additional costs for social landlords of the Bill's duties, particularly in respect of category three buildings and the accuracy of the assumptions on which the additional costs quoted in the evidence from Trivallis are based;
- Write to the Committee on the findings of the Local Partnerships' report on delivery models for implementation of the Bill and whether a role for Joint Inspection Teams had been considered by Local Partnerships; and
- Provide the Committee with summary of your discussions with the Minister for Culture, Skills and Social Partnership, Jack Sargeant MS, on the development of an apprenticeship scheme in Wales for environmental health practitioners.

3 Papers to note

3.1 Building Safety (Wales) Bill

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3.3 Homelessness and Social Housing Allocation (Wales) Bill

3.3 The Committee noted the letter.

3.4 The provision of sites for Gypsy, Roma and Travellers

3.4 The Committee noted the letter.

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

4.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

5 Building Safety (Wales) Bill: Key issues and citizen engagement findings

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence and key issues.