

Agenda – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5 (Ty Hywel)

Meeting date: 20 October 2025

Meeting time: 14.00

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**** In addition to the breaks published on the agenda there will also be periodic comfort breaks, called by the Chair ****

Pre-meeting

(13:30 – 14:00)

Public meeting

(14:00–15:15)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

(14:00)

2 Stage one scrutiny of the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill: evidence session eleven

(14:00–15:15)

(Pages 1 – 45)

Mark Isherwood MS, Member in Charge of the Bill

Gareth Rogers, Bill Manager, Senedd Commission

Claire Thomas, Research Service, Senedd Commission

Aled Evans, Legal Services, Senedd Commission

3 Papers to note

(15:15)

3.1 Correspondence to the Chair from Mark Isherwood MS regarding the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill

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- 3.2 Correspondence to the Chair from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip regarding the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill**
(Pages 57 – 62)
- 3.3 Correspondence to the Chair from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip regarding the Committee's report on social cohesion**
(Page 63)
- 3.4 Correspondence to the Chair from Dr Rob Wilks regarding evidence given as part of the Committee's scrutiny of the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill**
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- 4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**
(15:15)

Private session

(15:15–16:15)

- 5 Stage one scrutiny of the British Sign Language (Wales) Bill: consideration of the evidence**
(15:15–15:45)
- 6 Fire and Rescue Service Association: consideration of draft response to the consultation**
(15:45–16:00) (Pages 65 – 71)
- 7 Family Friendly and Inclusive Parliament Review**
(16:00–16:30) (Pages 72 – 79)
- Dr Alison Parken
Dr Rachel Minto
Dr Leah Hibbs