

Agenda – Children, Young People, and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 4 Tŷ Hywel
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: 17 December 2025

Meeting time: 09.30

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Hybrid

Private pre-meeting

09.15 – 09.30

Public meeting

09.30 – 11.00

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

09.30

2 Scrutiny of Qualifications Wales Annual Report 2024 – 2025

09.30 – 11.00

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Paul Bevan, Chair, Qualifications Wales

Philip Blaker, Chief Executive, Qualifications Wales [Via Zoom]

[Qualifications Wales Annual Report 2024 – 2025](#)

Attached Documents:

Research brief



3 Papers to note

11.00

3.1 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee
from CollegesWales

3.2 Information from Stakeholders

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Attached Documents:

Information from Women’s Equality Network (WEN) Wales

3.3 School improvement and learner attainment

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee
from the Cabinet Secretary for Education

3.4 Peer on peer sexual harassment among learners

(Pages 30 – 51)

Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee
from the Cabinet Secretary for Education

3.5 Services for care experienced children: exploring radical reform

(Pages 52 – 99)

Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee and the Chair of the Equality and Social Justice Committee from the Minister for Children and Social Care

3.6 Implementation of education reforms

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee from Qualifications Wales

3.7 Implementation of education reforms

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee from the WJEC

3.8 Implementation of education reforms

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee from the WJEC

3.9 Information from Stakeholders

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Minister for Mental Health and Wellbeing from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee

3.10 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27

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Attached Documents:

Information from the Taith Programme

3.11 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee from the Welsh Government

3.12 Information from Stakeholders

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Cabinet Secretary for Education from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee

3.13 Forward work programme

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee from the Cabinet Secretary for Education

3.14 Forward work programme

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the First Minister from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee

3.15 Forward work programme

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee
from the First Minister

3.16 Forward work programme

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Letter to the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee
from the Cabinet Secretary for Education

3.17 Welsh Government Draft Budget 2026–27

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Attached Documents:

Letter to the Chief Executive of Medr from the Chair of the Children, Young
People and Education Committee

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

11.00

Private meeting

11.00 – 12.30

5 Scrutiny of Qualifications Wales Annual Report 2024 – 2025 – consideration of the evidence

11.00 – 11.15

Break

11.15 – 11.20

6 Teacher recruitment and retention – consideration of the draft report

11.20 – 12.30

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Attached Documents:

Draft Report