

# Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 10 February  
2016

Meeting time: 09.05 – 12.15

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Ann Jones AM (Chair) Angela Burns AM Suzy Davies AM Lynne Neagle AM David Rees AM Aled Roberts AM Simon Thomas AM
Witnesses:	Professor Sally Holland, Children’s Commissioner for Wales Rachel Thomas, Children’s Commissioner for Wales Mark Drakeford AM, The Minister for Health and Social Services Elizabeth Lockwood, Welsh Government Alistair Davey, Welsh Government Jo Jordan, Welsh Government



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	Dr Sarah Watkins, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Marc Wyn Jones (Clerk) Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk) Sian Thomas (Researcher)

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### 1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

The Chair welcomed Members. Apologies were received from Keith Davies, John Griffiths and Rhodri Glyn Thomas, there were no substitutes.

### 2 Follow-up Inquiry into Adoption Services in Wales - Evidence session 3

The Committee heard evidence from the Children's Commissioner for Wales.

### 3 Follow-up inquiry into Adoption Services in Wales - Evidence session 4

The Committee heard evidence from the Minister for Health and Social Services.

### 4 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services in Wales – Update

The Minister for Health and Social Services updated the Committee on CAMHS. The Minister agreed to provide the Committee with the following:

A copy of the Welsh Health Circular relating to prescribing for children and young people in relation to antidepressants.

The final report by Swansea University on antipsychotics.

Further details on the psychological therapies that will be available to young people and whether they will be available across Wales.

The *Together for Children and Young People* programme report published in January.

Further detail on the availability of data collected at secondary care level on prescription drugs for children and young people with ADHD.

The Minister agreed to provide a written response to several questions that were not asked.

## **5 Papers to note**

The papers were noted.

**5.1 Letter to Minister for Communities and Tackling Poverty – Draft Budget 2016–17**

**5.2 Letter from Presiding Officer – Review of the Office of Children's Commissioner for Wales**

**5.3 Letter from Children's Commissioner for Wales**

**5.4 Letter from Chair of Petitions Committee to the Minister for Education and Skills**

**5.5 Letter from Minister for Education and Skills – Draft Budget 2016–17**

**5.6 Letter from Chair of Joint Committee on Human Rights to the Presiding Officer**

**6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting and the meetings to be held on Wednesday 2 March and Wednesday 16 March**

The Motion was agreed.

**7 Follow-up inquiry into Adoption Services in Wales - Consideration of evidence**

The Committee discussed the evidence received.

**8 Discussion on Committee legacy report**

The Committee discussed its approach to the legacy report.