

Concise Minutes – Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 2 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 5 July 2017

Meeting time: 08.58 – 12.20

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	John Griffiths AM (Chair) Gareth Bennett AM Janet Finch–Saunders AM Siân Gwenllian AM Bethan Jenkins AM Rhianon Passmore AM Jenny Rathbone AM Joyce Watson AM
Witnesses:	Victoria Winckler, Bevan Foundation Kirsty Davies–Warner, Oxfam Cymru Lindsey Kearton, Citizens Advice Cymru Professor Karel Williams, Manchester Business School Professor Anne Green, University of Birmingham Professor Caroline Lloyd, Cardiff University Dr Rod Hick, Cardiff University
Committee Staff:	Naomi Stocks (Clerk)



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	Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk) Megan Jones Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser)
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Transcript

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1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and members of the public to the meeting.

2 Inquiry into poverty in Wales: making the economy work for people on low incomes – evidence session 1

2.1 The Committee received evidence from:

- Kirsty Davies–Warner, Head of Oxfam Cymru
- Victoria Winckler, Director, Bevan Foundation
- Lindsey Kearton, Policy Officer Wales, Citizens Advice Bureau

3 Inquiry into poverty in Wales: making the economy work for people on low incomes – evidence session 2

3.1 The Committee received evidence from:

- Professor Karel Williams, Professor of Accounting and Political Economy, Alliance Manchester Business School, Manchester University
- Professor Anne Green, Birmingham Business School, University of Birmingham
- Professor Caroline Lloyd, School of Social Sciences, Cardiff University

4 Inquiry into poverty in Wales: making the economy work for people on low incomes – evidence session 3

4.1 The Committee received evidence from:

- Dr Rod Hick, Lecturer in Social Policy, School of Social Sciences, Cardiff University

5 Paper(s) to note

5.1 Letter from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Cabinet Secretary for Education in relation to Community Focussed Schools

5.1a The committee noted the letter from the Chair of the Children, Young People and Education Committee to the Cabinet Secretary for Education in relation to Community Focussed Schools

5.2 Letter from the Chair to the Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Children in relation to fire safety in high rise blocks in Wales

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6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

6.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

7 Inquiry into poverty in Wales: making the economy work for people on low incomes – consideration of evidence received under items 2, 3 and 4

7.1 The Committee discussed the evidence.

8 Consideration of forward work programme

8.1 The Committee considered and agreed the forward work programme. They agreed to conduct an inquiry into the role of Public Service boards. They also agreed an approach to the inquiry into Human Rights