

Concise Minutes – Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 13 December
2017

Meeting time: 09.06 – 12.35

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	John Griffiths AM (Chair) Janet Finch-Saunders AM Siân Gwenllïan AM Jenny Rathbone AM
Witnesses:	Sally Taber, Welsh Independent Healthcare Association Gerry Evans, Care Council for Wales David Francis, Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales Kate Chamberlain, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales Kevin Thomas, Wales Audit Office Martin Peters, Wales Audit Office Catrin Evans, Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council
Committee Staff:	Naomi Stocks (Clerk) Elizabeth Wilkinson (Second Clerk) Chloe Davies (Deputy Clerk)



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	Osian Bowyer (Researcher)
	Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser)
	Manon Huws (Legal Adviser)

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.
- 1.2 Apologies for absence were received from Rhianon Passmore AM, Bethan Jenkins AM, Mick Antoniw AM and Gareth Bennett AM.

2 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: evidence session 6

2.1 The Committee received from:

- Catrin Edwards, Policy and Advocacy Manager, Hospice UK

2.2 – During the session Catrin Edwards agreed to provide any information available on the record keeping of hospices in the instance when a patient is transferred to hospital at the end of life.

3 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: evidence session 7

3.1 The Committee received evidence from:

- Sally Taber, Director, Independent Healthcare Sector Complaints Adjudication Service
- Gerry Evans, Deputy Chief Executive, Social Care Wales
- David Francis, Assistant Chief Inspector, Care and Social Services Inspectorate Wales
- Dr Kate Chamberlain, Chief Executive, Healthcare Inspectorate Wales

3.2 During the session the Independent Healthcare Sector Complaints Adjudication Service and Healthcare Inspectorate Wales agreed to provide notes on the detail of the two private patient units in Wales.

4 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: evidence session 8

4.1 The Committee received evidence from:

- Kevin Thomas, Director of Corporate Services, Wales Audit Office
- Martin Peters, Head of Law and Ethics, Wales Audit Office

5 Paper(s) to note

5.1 Letter to the Llywydd in relation to the Supplementary Legislative Consent on the Financial Guidance and Claims Bill

5.1.a The Committee noted the letter to the Llywydd in relation to the Supplementary Legislative Consent on the Financial Guidance and Claims Bill.

6.1 Letter to the Minister for Housing and Regeneration in relation to the Supplementary Legislative Consent on the Financial Guidance and Claims Bill

6.1.a The Committee noted the letter to the Minister for Housing and Regeneration in relation to the Supplementary Legislative Consent on the Financial Guidance and Claims Bill.

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

7.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

8 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: consideration of evidence received under items 2, 3, and 4

8.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received under items 2, 3 and 4.

9 Consideration of forward work programme

9.1 The Committee considered the forward work programme and agreed to discuss a number of inquiries at future meetings.