

Concise Minutes – Health, Social Care and Sport Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 29 November 2017

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.53

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Dai Lloyd AM (Chair) Dawn Bowden AM Jayne Bryant AM Angela Burns AM Rhun ap Iorwerth AM Caroline Jones AM Julie Morgan AM Lynne Neagle AM
Witnesses:	John Holmes, Sheffield Alcohol Research Group Colin Angus, Sheffield Alcohol Research Group Chris Snowdon, Institute of Economic Affairs
Committee Staff:	Sian Thomas (Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Clerk) Sian Giddins (Deputy Clerk)



	Gareth Pembridge (Legal Adviser)
	Philippa Watkins (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting.

2 Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill – evidence session 4 – Sheffield Alcohol Research Group, Sheffield University

2.1 The Committee received evidence from representatives of the Sheffield Alcohol Research Group.

3 Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill – evidence session 5 – Institute of Economic Affairs

3.1 The Committee received evidence from a representative of the Institute of Economic Affairs.

3.2 Chris Snowdon agreed to share with the Committee evidence-based studies which relate to the potential unintended consequences resulting from the introduction of minimum unit price for alcohol, and known addiction pathways.

4 Paper(s) to note

4.1 Welsh Government budget 2018–19 – letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance to the Chair of the Finance Committee

4.1a The Committee noted the letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance to the Chair of the Finance Committee.

4.2 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19 – Response from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport

4.2a The Committee noted the response from the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Transport regarding the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19.

4.3 Letter from the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance regarding the Common UK policy frameworks "deep dive" exercises

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4.4 Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill – Letter from Professor Jon Nelson in relation to the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill

4.4a The Committee noted the letter from Professor Jon Nelson in relation to the Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

5.1 The Committee agreed the motion.

6 Public Health (Minimum Price for Alcohol) (Wales) Bill – consideration of evidence

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence given during items 2 and 3 of the meeting.

7 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2018–19 – consideration of draft report

7.1 The Committee agreed the report subject to minor amendments.

7.2 The Committee noted that the report would be laid before the Assembly on 1 December.