

Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 15 February
2018

Meeting time: 09.36 – 12.46

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Lynne Neagle AM (Chair) Michelle Brown AM Hefin David AM John Griffiths AM Llyr Gruffydd AM Darren Millar AM Julie Morgan AM Mark Reckless AM
Witnesses:	Kirsty Williams AM, Cabinet Secretary for Education Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services Dr Dave Williams, Welsh Government Lowri Reed, Welsh Government Albert Heaney, Welsh Government



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	Joanna Jordan, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Llinos Madeley (Clerk) Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk) Michael Dauncey (Researcher) Sian Thomas (Researcher)

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members. There were no apologies.

2 Inquiry into the Emotional and Mental Health of Children and Young People – Evidence session 21

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Welsh Government.

2.2 The Cabinet Secretary for Education agreed to provide written information on the following:

- Any available information on the correlation between levels of deprivation and mental health issues such as self-harm and eating disorders; and
- Examples of where expert organisations have worked with schools, including pioneer schools, to inform the delivery of wellbeing support in schools which will inform the development of the relevant Area of Learning Experience in the new curriculum.

2.3 The Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services agreed to provide written information on the following:

- Access to primary mental health services for young people, in particular if all Local Health Boards are complying with the Mental Health Measure, and an update on the current work of the NHS Wales Delivery Unit in this area;
- Information on the age of the youngest child admitted due to mental ill health to an adult ward in a crisis/out of hours situation; and
- An update on resourcing issues at the North Wales Adolescent Service in-patient unit, Abergele.

2.4 The Committee agreed to write with the questions that were unasked due to time constraints.

3 Paper(s) to note

3.1 The papers were noted.

3.1 Additional information from the Royal College of Nursing following the meeting on 18 January

3.2 Letter to the Chair from the Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee

4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(xi) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting and for item 1 at the meeting on 28 February.

4.1 The Motion was agreed.

5 Inquiry into the Emotional and Mental Health of Children and Young People – Consideration of evidence received

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence heard during the meeting.

6 Inquiry into Flying Start: outreach – Consideration of draft report

6.1 The Committee considered the draft report. Subject to minor amendments the report was agreed.

7 Consideration of Committee Forward Work Programme

7.1 The Committee noted the paper and agreed to hold a more detailed session following the Easter recess.