

Agenda – Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3

Meeting date: 11 January 2018

Meeting time: 10.30

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Pre-meeting (10.30 – 10.35)

- 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

- 2 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from items 3, 4 and 8 of the meeting**

- 3 Inquiry into rough sleeping in Wales: consideration of scope and approach**
(10.35 – 10.50) (Pages 1 – 11)

- 4 Consideration of the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Assaults on Emergency Workers (Offences) Bill**
(10.50 – 11.00) (Pages 12 – 19)

- 5 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: evidence session 9**
(11.00 – 12.00) (Pages 20 – 46)
Daniel Hurford, Head of Policy, (Improvement and Governance), Welsh Local Government Association
Davina Fiore, Director of Governance and Legal Services, Cardiff Council
Liz Withers, Head of Policy and Campaigns, Wales, Citizens Advice Bureau



6 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: evidence session 10

(12.00 – 13.00)

(Pages 47 – 48)

Mark Drakeford, Cabinet Secretary for Finance

David Richards, Director of Governance, Welsh Government

Nick Howard, Lawyer, Welsh Government

7 Paper(s) to note

7.1 Additional information from the Northern Ireland Public Services Ombudsman in relation to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

(Pages 49 – 51)

7.2 Additional information from the Scottish Public Services Ombudsman in relation to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

(Pages 52 – 56)

7.3 Additional information from Healthcare Inspectorate Wales (HIW) in relation to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

(Pages 57 – 58)

7.4 Additional information from Hospice UK in relation to the Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill

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7.5 Letter to the Chair of the Constitutional and Legislative Affairs Committee in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 60 – 62)

7.6 Letter to the Chair of the External Affairs and Additional Legislation Committee in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 63 – 65)

7.7 Letter to the Convener of the Equalities and Human Rights Committee in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 66 – 68)

7.8 Letter to the Chair of the Joint Committee on Human Rights in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 69 – 71)

7.9 Letter to the Chair of the Women and Equalities Committee in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 72 – 75)

7.10 Letter to the Leader of the House and Chief Whip in relation to Human Rights in Wales

(Pages 76 – 78)

7.11 Welsh Women's Aid report on State of the Sector: the state of violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence specialist services in Wales, 2017

(Pages 79 – 90)

8 Public Services Ombudsman (Wales) Bill: consideration of evidence received under items 5 and 6

(13.00 – 13.15)