

Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1 – Senedd

Meeting date: Thursday, 8 November
2018

Meeting time: 08.53 – 12.23

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Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Lynne Neagle AM (Chair) Dawn Bowden AM Suzy Davies AM Janet Finch–Saunders AM Siân Gwenllïan AM Julie Morgan AM
Witnesses:	Kirsty Williams AM, Cabinet Secretary for Education Eluned Morgan AM, Minister for Welsh Language and Lifelong Learning Huw Morris, Welsh Government Steve Davies, Welsh Government Vaughan Gething AM, Cabinet Secretary for Health and Social Services Huw Irranca–Davies AM, Minister for Children, Older People and Social Care



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	<p>Alan Brace, Welsh Government</p> <p>Jo-Anne Daniels, Welsh Government</p> <p>Albert Heaney, Welsh Government</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Llinos Madeley (Clerk)</p> <p>Gareth Rogers (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Phil Boshier (Researcher)</p> <p>Michael Dauncey (Researcher)</p> <p>Rebekah James (Researcher)</p> <p>Sian Thomas (Researcher)</p>

1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members and thanked Llyr Gruffydd for all this hard work during his time on the Committee.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Hefin David and Michelle Brown, there were no substitutes.

2 Scrutiny of the Welsh Government Budget 2019 – 2020

- 2.1 The Committee scrutinised the Cabinet Secretary and Minister on the draft budget.
- 2.2 They agreed the following:
 - To inform the Committee when a progress report will be available on the impact of the spending utilised to reduce infant class sizes;
 - A breakdown of the components of the Regional Consortia School Improvement Grant in 2019–20 including the corresponding amounts in 2018–19 and confirmation of whether the individual elements remain ring-fenced for their specific purpose;
 - A note detailing the Welsh Government forecast of the total sum expected to be transferred to HEFCW and further education as a result of the full

implementation of the Diamond review and a forecast as to when this funding is currently expected to be released to the sectors by financial year;

- A note providing the Committee with each allocation of funding (i.e. 6th Form, FEC, ACL, and other material allocations) within the Post-16 Education Action.

3 Scrutiny of Welsh Government Budget 2019 – 2020

3.1 The Committee scrutinised the Cabinet Secretary and Minister on the draft budget.

3.2 The Cabinet Secretary agreed to provide a breakdown of exactly where in the Welsh Government's draft Budget the £57 million soft drinks levy consequential has been allocated.

4 Papers to note

4.1 The papers were noted.

5 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting

5.1 The Motion was agreed.

6 Scrutiny of Welsh Government Budget 2019 – 2020 – consideration of the evidence

6.1 The Committee considered the evidence received during the morning sessions.