# Concise Minutes - Equality, Local Government and **Communities Committee**

Meeting Venue:

This meeting can be viewed

Committee Room 3 - Senedd

on Senedd TV at:

Meeting date: Wednesday, 5 December

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Meeting time: 09.15 - 12.17

#### Attendance

Category	Names
Assembly Members:	Jayne Bryant AM
	Mark Isherwood AM
	Jenny Rathbone AM
	Leanne Wood AM
Witnesses:	Cerys Furlong, Chwarae Teg
	Catherine Fookes
	Uzo Iwobi OBE, Race Council Cymru
	Paul Hossack, Equality and Human Rights Commission
	Mike Payne, GMB
	Gareth Clubb, Friends of the Earth Cymru
	Bablin Molik
	Roger Pratt, Welsh Conservatives
	Tom Harrison
	Kathryn Allen, Voluntary Youth Service

	Steve Davis, Principal Youth Officers' Group
	Julia Griffiths, Youth Cymru
	Chisomo Phiri, NUS Wales
Committee Staff:	Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk)
	Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk)
	Osian Bowyer (Researcher)

#### 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 Siân Gwenllian AM, Jack Sargeant AM and Gareth Bennett AM.

#### 2 Inquiry into diversity in local government: evidence session 3

- 2.1 The Committee received evidence from:
  - Cerys Furlong, Chief Executive, Chwarae Teg
  - Catherine Fookes, Director, Women's Equality Network (WEN) Wales
  - Uzo Iwobi OBE, Chief Executive Officer, Race Council Cymru
  - Paul Hossack, Senior Associate, Equality and Human Rights Commission

## 3 Inquiry into diversity in local government: evidence session 4

- 3.1 The Committee received evidence from:
  - Mike Payne, Chair, Organisation Committee, Welsh Labour
  - Gareth Clubb, Chief Executive, Plaid Cymru
  - Councillor Bablin Molik, Councillor in Cardiff and Chair of the Cardiff and Vale local party, Welsh Liberal Democrats
  - Roger Pratt, Boundary Review Director, Welsh Conservatives
  - Tom Harrison, Regional Officer, UKIP Wales

## 4 Inquiry into diversity in local government: evidence session 5

- 4.1 The Committee received evidence from:
  - Kathryn Allen, Vice-President, Council for Wales of Voluntary Youth Service

- Steve Davis, Service Manager, Principle Youth Officers Group
- Julia Griffiths, Joint Acting Chief Executive, Youth Cymru
- Chisomo (Chizi) Phiri, Women's Officer, NUS Wales

## 5 Papers to note

- 5.1 Letter from the Minister for Housing and Regeneration in relation to the Renting Homes (Fees etc.) (Wales) Bill
- 5.1a The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Housing and Regeneration in relation to the Renting Homes (Fees etc.) (Wales) Bill
- 6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting
- 6.1 The Committee agreed the motion.
- 7 Inquiry into diversity in local government: discussion of the evidence received under items 2, 3 and 4
- 7.1 The Committee discussed the evidence received under items 2,3 and 4.