

Local Government and Housing
Committee
Senedd Cymru

Via email only

Friday 27 February 2026

Dear Chair,

Subject: Wales Impact Reports and Legacy Report

The Equality and Human Rights Commission is Britain's equality and human rights regulator for Great Britain and an 'A' status National Human Rights Institution for Wales and England, and for reserved matters in Scotland.

We have worked closely with the Local Government and Housing Committee during the Sixth Senedd and thought we would support your legacy reporting by linking you to our Wales Impact Reports.

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Some examples, relevant to the work of the Committee, in our Impact Reports include:

The Committees report on the general principles of the Elections and Elected Bodies (Wales) Bill reflecting a number of our recommendations and highlighted our evidence. These recommendations included:

- calling for the Welsh Government to publish an Equality Impact Assessment of the Bill
- the Local Government Survey proposed in the Bill should reflect protected characteristics

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Monitoring Welsh Government progress towards its international human rights obligations

Our [Human Rights Tracker](#) is an online tool that monitors how effectively the Welsh and UK governments are meeting their human rights obligations. It currently contains more than 70 assessments of the Welsh Government's actions in response to recommendations issued by UN Human Rights Committees. We believe this evidence base is a valuable resource for informing the Committee's legacy report, providing an up-to-date picture of the state of human rights in Wales across a broad range of thematic areas.

Our briefing, [Monitoring Welsh Government progress towards its international human rights obligations](#), provides the background and information regarding monitoring processes. This briefing introduces the process for monitoring compliance with international UN treaties which will be useful for future Committees

Additional Information : Briefing - Equality and human rights in Wales.

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This briefing provides a robust evidence-based snapshot of the most pressing equality and human rights issues in Wales, taken from our state of the nation [Is Wales Fairer? 2023](#) report. This highlights what has been achieved during the Sixth Senedd, in addition to the equality and human rights issues that will need to be addressed during the next Senedd.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Local Government and Housing Committee for your work during the Sixth Senedd. If there is anything you would like us to clarify, or would like any further information, please let us know.

Yours sincerely,

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