

Communities, Equality and Local Government Committee

Meeting Venue: **Committee Room 2 – Senedd**

Meeting date: **Wednesday, 1 February 2012**

Meeting time: **10:00 – 11:20**

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Concise Minutes:

Assembly Members:

Ann Jones (Chair)
Peter Black
Janet Finch–Saunders
Mike Hedges
Mark Isherwood
Bethan Jenkins
Gwyn R Price
Ken Skates
Rhodri Glyn Thomas
Joyce Watson

Witnesses:

Lyn Cadwallader, One Voice Wales

Committee Staff:

Bethan Davies (Clerk)
Leanne Hatcher (Deputy Clerk)
Rhys Iorwerth (Researcher)
Gwyn Griffiths (Legal Advisor)

1. Introductions, apologies and substitutions

1.1 The Chair welcomed Assembly Members and members of the public to the meeting.

1.2 The Chair said that as Rhodri Glyn Thomas and Peter Black were Assembly Commissioners, they would not be participating in sessions relating to the scrutiny of the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill.

1.3 The Chair welcomed Alun Ffred Jones, who was substituting for Rhodri Glyn Thomas during item 2, in accordance with Standing Order 17.48.

2. Agreement of approach for Stage 1 scrutiny of the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill

2.1 The Committee formally agreed the approach to the scrutiny of the National Assembly for Wales (Official Languages) Bill.

3. Local Government Byelaws (Wales) Bill: Stage 1 Evidence Session – One Voice Wales

3.1 The Committee received evidence from Lyn Cadwallader, One Voice Wales.

4. Private Session

4.1 The Committee agreed to exclude the public from items 4 and 5 of the meeting in accordance with Standing Order 17.42(vi).

5. Inquiry into the provision of Affordable Housing – Consideration of emerging themes

5.1 The Committee considered the key themes and noted that the draft report will be considered at a forthcoming Committee meeting.

6. Consideration of Committee Forward Work Programme

6.1 The Committee agreed the following resolution, in accordance with Standing Order 17.17:

“The Equality, Communities and Local Government Committee resolves to establish a task and finish group, in accordance with Standing Order 17.17, to assess the impact of budget cuts on participation in the arts in Wales.

The membership of the task and finish group is as follows: Ann Jones, Bethan Jenkins and Joyce Watson

The Chair of the task and finish group shall be: Ann Jones

The task and finish group shall cease to exist on 30 April 2012, or when it has reported, whichever is the earliest.”

6.2 The Committee agreed the terms of reference for the group.

6.3 The Committee agreed that the next inquiry would be on the Welsh Premier League. Subject to a few minor amendments the Committee agreed the terms of reference.