

# Outstanding Action Points From SJ &R Meetings

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Action point [lead Division]	Progress	Target completion date
Third meeting: 16 March 2005		
03.08 The Minister would inform Committee of when results about the Personal Support project for 11-18 year olds would be available. Community Safety Division	Recruitment of the 2 personal support workers has now been completed and both were in post by the end of 2005.	The project and evaluation began September 2005. Minister will provide further information following the evaluation, which is due in September 2006.
03.13 The Minister would provide a report for Committee on the implementation of recommendation 19 of the policy review on housing for older people. Housing Directorate	The first stage of this review will involve a research study to: examine the current provision of accommodation for older people in Wales; assess the appropriateness of current provision for current and future occupants; and appraise how the economy of accommodation provision will need to respond to the changing needs and demands of older people.	Consultants have been appointed. Target completion Summer 2006.

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Seventh Meeting: 6 July 2005

07.10 Minister agreed to report back on the success of the publicity arrangement for the Equity Release Schemes. Housing Directorate.	Care & Repair Cymru's Publicity material on Equity Release, which includes a DVD, is being launched by the Minister in Committee Room 1 in Crickhowell House on 05 April.	The Minister will provide a note to Committee in May 2006 following the launch of the publicity material.
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Ninth Meeting: 20 October 2005

09.03 The Minister would report back to Committee on feedback received from LA's following implementation of the recommendations of the DFG review report.  Housing Directorate		Further update to Committee in June 2006
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10<sup>th</sup> Meeting: 16 November 2005

10.02 The Minister agreed to provide an update on the CAF/CASS pensions issue.  Emyr Roberts		Committee to be informed as soon as issue is resolved.
10.07 The Minister agreed to report annually over the next 3 years on the impact of the Homelessness Strategy  Housing Directorate		Early 2007, with a progress report in Summer 2006.

<p>10.08 The Minister agreed to share the research into causes of homelessness with Committee when available in the new year</p> <p>Housing Directorate</p>		<p>In-house research is in progress and will be completed in advance of the June meeting. Depending on findings, further primary research may then be commissioned.</p>
<p>10.09 The Minister will report to Committee on progress of the rural observatory.</p> <p>Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Draft report to be available by the end of March - progress report during the Summer Term.</p>
<p>11<sup>th</sup> Meeting: 8 December 2005</p>		
<p>11.02 The Minister to undertake a mapping exercise on service provision (including security/benefits/adaptations/public utilities energy action schemes) through Care and Repair and other agencies across Wales and report back. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>June 2006</p>
<p>11.03 The Minister to report back on Housing Information Packs to include the Welsh language, older properties and training for undertaking new reports. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>This is covered in Committee paper SJR(2) -07-06(p.2)</p>
<p>11.05 The Minister to provide information on the project being undertaken with the RNIB relating to housing and the visually impaired. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Minister provided an oral update at Committee on the 9<sup>th</sup> of Feb and agreed to circulate a note to Committee on the research undertaken by RNIB Cymru by end of May.</p>

11.09 The Minister to provide an update on Community Land Trust issues. Housing Directorate		Paper to be tabled for Committee in the Summer Term.
1st Meeting: 12 January 2006		
01.03 Minister agreed to update Committee on the outcomes of the joint working group between Youth Justice Board and the Welsh Assembly Government. Community Safety Division		Completed.
01.14 The Minister agreed to update Committee on progress on the Homelessness Strategy and unfit homes in the Private Sector  Housing Directorate		Unfit homes information to be circulated to Committee in due course
01.17 The Minister to report back to Committee on Fire Link after discussions with Fire Authorities. Housing Directorate		Completed.
01.24 The Minister to provide a report on the Domestic Abuse 'Help Line' evaluation, including a breakdown of the figures for the Welsh Language provision, Community Safety Division		Completed.
01.26 The Domestic Abuse Working Group to consider the provision of counselling services. Community Safety Division		The Minister wrote to Committee in April 2006. A further update will be given to Committee following the next Working Group on Domestic Abuse to be held on 13 <sup>th</sup> June 2006.

<p>01.27 The Minister agreed to look at the statistical data available for an evaluation of the Domestic Abuse Strategy. Community Safety Division</p>	<p>Officials are currently examining data sources including Helpline, Police Incident, Crown Prosecution Service and British Crime Survey Data. It will take time before any trends emerge.</p>	<p>The Minister will keep the Committee updated via regular monthly reports about published data.</p>
<p>01.28 The Minister agreed to look into the possibility of Care &amp; Repair providing a service for tenants in the social housing sector as well as owner-occupiers. Housing Directorate</p>	<p>Currently in discussion with Care &amp; Repair Cymru to explore the potential for cross-tenure involvement.</p>	<p>The Minister to report to Committee on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July.</p>
<p>01.29 The Minister agreed to provide an update on the Housing for Older People Policy Review recommendations, 12-14, equity release issues. Housing Directorate</p>	<p>Update provided on 12 February. See also action point 7.10</p>	<p>Regularly</p>
<p>01.30 The Domestic Abuse Working Group to consider the availability of refuge spaces. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>At the meeting of the Working Group in March Welsh Women's Aid agreed to carry out a survey across Wales to provide the information and agreed to report back as soon as possible, following which the matter can be considered further.</p>
<p>2nd Meeting: 9 February 2006</p>		
<p>02.02 The Minister agreed to write to the DTI on "Face to Face Debt Advice Service". Communities Directorate</p>		<p>Completed</p>

<p>02.03 The Minister agreed to update Committee on continued discussions between the Forestry Commission and local authorities on the release of land for housing. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Update will be provided when further progress is made.</p>
<p>02.05 The Minister agreed to consult with the Home Office on the timetable of the proposed legalisation to restructure the Probation Service. Community Safety Division</p>		<p>This is covered in Committee Paper SJ&amp;R(2)-07-06 (p4) to be considered on 4<sup>th</sup> May with a presentation by the NOMS Manager for Wales.</p>
<p>02.06 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the needs of migrant workers and homelessness. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Completed.</p>
<p>02.07 The Minister agreed to consider the definition of the policy of LA's against the un-hypothecated allocation of budgets for DFG's and circulate figures to Committee. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Completed.</p>
<p>02.11 The Minister agreed to consider and report back to Committee on impact assessments for housing stock transfers and property for rent schemes. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>Report back to Committee in June.</p>

02.12 The Minister agreed to report to Committee on Homebuy when she had concluded her discussions. Housing Directorate		In due course.
02.13 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the equity share scheme. Housing Directorate	Linked to action 02.14	Letter to be issued to Committee before end of May
02.14 The Minister agreed to provide a note for Committee on the use of income generated by RSL schemes. Housing Directorate		Letter to be issued to Committee before end of May
02.15 The Minister agreed to consider strategic linkages and statistics for inclusion in the next sustainable development report to Committee. Business Unit		In due course.
3rd Meeting: 15 March 2006		
03.01 The Minister agreed to report back to Committee on Crack Cocaine misuse in Wales and the work being undertaken on data collection that may identify figures for trigger offences and the number of service users. Community Safety Unit		Completed.
03.02 The Minister agreed to include a note covering the discussions from the March BIC meeting on Disabled people and their access to employment. Communities Directorate		Completed.

<p>03.03 The Minister agreed to pursue concerns raised about funding for women's aid groups from local authorities and report back to Committee. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>June 2006</p>
<p>03.04 The Minister agreed to advise Committee on the estimated increase of funding required for the inclusion of oil fired central heating in the HEES Scheme. Housing Directorate</p>		<p>June 2006</p>
<p>03.05 The Minister agreed to include regular updates in her ministerial report on developments surrounding post office issues. Communities Directorate</p>		<p>Regularly</p>
<p>03.06 The Minister agreed to report back to Committee on the statistical data relating to winter deaths. Housing Directorate.</p>	<p>Officials are consulting with Health colleagues on available research that would relate excess winter deaths to housing conditions.</p>	<p>June 2006</p>
<p>03.07 The Minister agreed to ask the Police Liaison Officer to report on the effects of Operation Tarian on adjoining police forces, including the North Wales Force. Community Safety Division</p>		<p>Update to be included in Ministers Written Report to Committee on 8<sup>th</sup> June.</p>



03.08 The Minister agreed to send a note explaining the current situation on the Council Tax position and Mobile Homes Regulations 2005. In particular, concerning detail on the protection of mobile home owners. Housing Directorate

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