

# Committee for the Scrutiny of the First Minister

## Minutes (SFM(2)-01-05)

Meeting date: 30 June 2005

Meeting time: 14.00 - 15.58

Meeting venue: Committee Rooms 3 & 4, National Assembly Building, Cardiff Bay

### Assembly Members in Attendance

Assembly Member	Committee
Rt. Hon. Rhodri Morgan AM	First Minister for Wales
Peter Black	Education and Lifelong Learning
Rosemary Butler	Culture, Welsh Language and Sport
Janet Davies (Chair)	Audit
Janice Gregory	Social Justice and Regeneration
Chris Gwyther	Economic Development and Transport
Ann Jones	Local Government and Public Services
David Melding	Health and Social Services
Sandy Mewies	European and External Affairs
Gwenda Thomas	Equality of Opportunity

### Officials in Attendance

Name	Job title
Karin Phillips	Head of Members' Research and Committee Services and Clerk to the Committee
Lara Date	Deputy Committee Clerk
Peter Jones	Counsel to the Assembly Parliamentary Service

Adrian Crompton	Head of Members' Research Service
Steve Boyce	MRS Research Officer
Michael Trickey	Head of Unit, Making the Connections
Mike Shanahan	Director, Older People and Long Term Care Policy Directorate
Steve Milsom	Deputy Director, Older People and Long Term Care Policy Directorate

## **Item 1: Introduction, Apologies, Substitutions, Quorum and Declarations of Interest**

1.1 The Chair welcomed Committee Members and members of the public. 1.2 The Chair noted apologies from Alun Ffred Jones AM. 1.3 There were no declarations of interest under Standing Order 4.6.

## **Item 2: Scrutiny Session - Services for Older People (14:03 - 15.58)**

2.1 The First Minister was scrutinised on Services for Older People. The questioning was divided into three areas: strategic issues, specific areas of service delivery and future developments (the planned Commissioner for Older People).

### **Actions:**

- **The First Minister would provide the Committee with notes on:**
  - local fora for older people;
  - the availability of specialist stroke recovery care facilities in Wales;
  - providing 'lifestyle interview' guidance on employment opportunities for older people.
- **Peter Black AM would send the First Minister and the Committee a note with his questions and supporting data on:**
  - local authority funding of the disabled facilities grant; and
  - the establishment of a Welsh Home Improvement Lending Agency;
- **The First Minister would then provide the Committee with a written response.**

2.2 In accordance with Standing Order 18A the Committee would meet every sixteen weeks that Plenary sits, and the next meeting was therefore scheduled for the week commencing Monday 30 January 2006.

2.3 The Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 15:58 pm.

