

Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Monday, 3 October 2022

Meeting time: 13.30 – 16.41

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Sarah Murphy MS Sioned Williams MS Ken Skates MS Joel James MS Peredur Owen Griffiths MS
Witnesses:	Hannah Blythyn MS, Deputy Minister for Social Partnership Neil Buffin, Welsh Government Sue Hurrell, Welsh Government – Head of Fair work Procurement Neil Surman, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Rhys Morgan (Clerk) Rachael Davies (Second Clerk) Claire Thomas (Researcher)



	Gareth David Thomas (Researcher) Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser)
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1 Introductions, apologies and substitutions

There were no apologies.

Sioned Williams was substituted by Peredur Owen Griffiths and Altaf Hussain was substituted by Joel James for all items on the agenda relating to the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill.

Jenny Rathbone, Sarah Murphy and Ken Skates each declared interests under Standing Order 17.24A.

2 Papers to note

The Committee noted the correspondence and, in private, agreed to respond to the letter from Deputy Chief Constable Blakeman at Item 2.8.

- 2.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice and the Deputy Minister for Social Partnership: consultation on public bodies subject to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
- 2.2 Correspondence from the Health and Social Care Committee: inquiry into mental health inequalities
- 2.3 Correspondence from the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee: Council of Europe Convention on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women and Domestic Violence
- 2.4 Correspondence from the Economy, Trade and Rural Affairs Committee: Cost of living pressures report
- 2.5 Correspondence with the Minister for Social Justice: cost of living crisis
- 2.6 Correspondence with the Deputy Minister for Social Services: violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence – migrant women
- 2.7 Correspondence with the Minister for Health and Social Services: monitoring of data in relation to mental health provision for migrant women
- 2.8 Correspondence with Deputy Chief Constable Amanda Blakeman: violence against women, domestic abuse and sexual violence – migrant women inquiry
- 2.9 Correspondence with the Minister for Social Justice: EU Settlement Scheme
- 2.10 Correspondence from the Auditor General for Wales to the Permanent Secretary: examination of the setting of well-being objectives
- 2.11 Correspondence from Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to the Llywydd regarding the Bill of Rights Bill

2.12 Correspondence from the Llywydd to the Chair regarding the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill

3 Social Partnership and Public Procurement Bill: ministerial evidence session

The Committee took evidence from the Deputy Minister for Social Partnership and her officials in relation to the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill.

4 Motion under SO17.42 (ix) to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting

The Committee agreed the motion.

5 Social Partnership and Public Procurement Bill: ministerial evidence session – consideration of the evidence

The Committee considered the evidence received during the session with the Deputy Minister, and agreed to consider its draft report on the Bill at the next meeting.

6 Forward work programme

The Committee considered and agreed its approach to engagement for its inquiry into women's experiences of the criminal justice system.

6 Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence: migrant women – consideration of draft report

The Committee considered its draft report and agreed to consider a revised draft at the next meeting.