

# Concise Minutes – Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 18 March 2021

Meeting time: 13.32 – 14.25

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) Huw Irranca-Davies MS Delyth Jewell MS Laura Anne Jones MS
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	Naomi Stocks (Clerk) Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk) Chloe Davies (Deputy Clerk) Jonathan Baxter (Researcher) Osian Bowyer (Researcher) Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser)

## 1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

- 1.1. The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Equality, Local Government and Communities Committee. Apologies were received from Dawn Bowden MS and Mandy Jones MS.



1.2. In accordance with Standing Order 34.19, the Chair stated that he had determined that the public were excluded from the Committee's meeting in order to protect public health.

## **2 Paper(s) to note**

### **2.1 Letter from the Llywydd to all Senedd Committee Chairs in relation to the Welsh Elections (Coronavirus) Bill 2021 – impact on Senedd Committees**

2.1.a The Committee noted the letter from the Llywydd to all Senedd Committee Chairs in relation to the Welsh Elections (Coronavirus) Bill 2021 – impact on Senedd Committees.

### **2.2 Letter from the Minister for Housing and Local Government in relation to the inquiry into fire safety in high rise blocks in Wales (Welsh Government white paper – Safer Buildings in Wales: A Consultation)**

2.2.a The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Housing and Local Government in relation to the inquiry into fire safety in high rise blocks in Wales (Welsh Government white paper – Safer Buildings in Wales: A Consultation).

### **2.3 Response from the Welsh Government to the Committee's report on the impact of COVID-19 on the voluntary sector**

2.3.a The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government to the Committee's report on the impact of COVID-19 on the voluntary sector.

## **3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(vi) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of the meeting**

3.1. The Committee agreed the motion.

## **4 Consideration of the Committee's draft legacy report**

4.1. The Committee discussed the draft legacy report.

## **5 Consideration of the Committee's consultation response to the Welsh Government white paper – Safer Buildings in Wales: A Consultation**

5.1. The Committee discussed the response to the Welsh Government white paper Safer Buildings in Wales: A Consultation.