

Agenda – Culture, Welsh Language and Communications Committee

Meeting Venue:	For further information contact:
Video Conference via Zoom	Rhys Morgan
Meeting date: 25 February 2021	Committee Clerk
Meeting time: 09.30	0300 200 6565
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Pre-meeting registration

(09:00–09:30)

- 1 **Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**
(09.30)
- 2 **Scrutiny of the Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and the Welsh Language**
(09.30–11.00) (Pages 1 – 12)
- 3 **Paper(s) to note**
 - 3.1 **Response to the report on the inquiry into live music industry from Cardiff Music Board**
(Pages 13 – 14)
 - 3.2 **Correspondence with the Welsh Government on the draft Welsh Language Standards (No. 8) Regulations**
(Pages 15 – 17)
- 4 **Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public from the meeting for the remainder of the meeting**



5 Scrutiny of the Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and the Welsh Language: consideration of evidence

(11:00–11:15)

6 Inquiry into the devolution of broadcasting: discussion of draft report

(11.15–11.45)

(Pages 18 – 59)

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Dyddiad / Date: 27 January 2021

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Annwyl / Dear Chairs,

This letter is on behalf of the Cardiff Music Board of which I Chair, in response to the Turn Up the Volume - an Inquiry to Live Music Industry report that was published by the Senedd Culture, Welsh Language and Communications committee in December 2020.

I would like to thank you and the committee for undertaking this important inquiry and inviting me to present to the committee and to take part in the wider consultation.

We very much welcome the findings in the report, especially given the challenges that the music sector faces. The Music Board have discussed the report and its recommendations, and there are a number of issues they would like to raise.

In particular, the report does suffer from a lack of consultation with our diverse populations, in particular women, BAME and disabled groups, and it is disappointing that the views these populations are not adequately reflected in the report. The report shows little engagement with musicians, as it primarily focuses on infrastructure, and there is insufficient engagement with professionals and creatives in the sector. The consideration of the impact of Brexit on performers and venues is also noticeable omission given the substantial impact on the sector in Wales.

On the whole we welcome the recommendations in the report, although the large number of recommendations means that some critical issues could be overlooked. The report would therefore benefit from a more focussed and deliverable set of recommendations that recognise the resources partners can leverage. Officers in Cardiff are happy to work with their colleagues in Creative Wales as they consider the recommendations.

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Mae'r Cyngor yn croesawu gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg, Saesneg neu'n ddwyieithog. Byddwn yn cyfathrebu â chi yn ôl eich dewis, dim ond i chi roi gwybod i ni pa un sydd well gennych. Ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

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The Council welcomes correspondence in Welsh, English or bilingually. We will ensure that we communicate with you in the language of your choice, as long as you let us know which you prefer. Corresponding in Welsh will not lead to delay.



We look forward to working with Creative Wales colleagues to support the ambitions for the live music industry in Wales, particularly given Cardiff's role as the Capital and delivering our aspirations as a music city and supporting a thriving Industry and live events sector.

Yn gywir,
Yours sincerely,

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CYNGHORYDD / COUNCILLOR HUW THOMAS
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Eluned Morgan MS
Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and the Welsh Language
Welsh Government

Dyddiad | Date: 8 January 2021

Pwnc | Subject: Scrutiny of the draft Welsh Language Standards (No. 8) Regulations

Dear Eluned,

Thank you for letting me know, in your letter of 20 May 2020, that the closing date for the consultation on the draft Welsh Language Standards (No. 8) Regulations was extended to 2 October 2020 due to the pressure on health regulators as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.

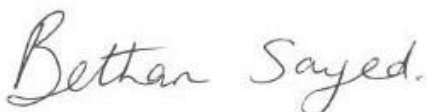
You explained that it was likely that stakeholders would not have time to consider the draft regulations as they would have additional pressures from registering more practitioners than usual and issuing guidance.

I hope that the revised closing date has allowed the relevant bodies to submit their responses to the consultation, including the relevant information for the Regulatory Impact Assessment.

As you will be aware, the Committee has conducted scrutiny of previous Welsh Language Standards regulations. I would be grateful if you could update me on the timetable for laying the regulations. The Committee has a very busy schedule between now and the dissolution of the Senedd, and I would like to ensure we allow enough time for scrutiny of the regulations in our forward work programme.

Please can you contact the Clerk of the Committee on seneddcwlc@senedd.wales with the anticipated timetable for laying for the Regulations by 29 January 2021, in order for us to plan for this work?

Yours sincerely,



Bethan Sayed MS

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29 January 2021

Dear Bethan,

Thank you for your letter dated 8 January 2021, regarding the scrutiny of the draft Welsh Language Standards (No. 8) Regulations.

I am pleased to inform you that the consultation ended on 2 October 2020 and responses were received from 15 bodies, including 8 of the 9 bodies that will be directly affected by the Regulations. My officials have analysed the consultation and changes have been made to the draft Regulations to address many of the matters raised.

In addition, my officials attended your Committee to provide a technical briefing on 17 September 2020. During that session Helen Mary Jones MS, the temporary Chair of the Committee, made a suggestion in relation to the Regulations. It was her view that registrants should be able to discuss a complaint made about them in Welsh with their regulatory body in a wider context than just at the legal proceeding itself (e.g. a fitness to practice hearing). I agree with this view and the draft Regulations have been amended to make provision as the Member has suggested. The draft Regulations will place duties on the health care regulators regarding complaints against a registrant. This ensures that a registrant would be able to use Welsh throughout the process of dealing with a complaint against them, from the initial discussion with the regulatory body through to a formal fitness to practice hearing.

However, one key matter remains outstanding. The consultation responses highlighted that some would wish to see a Standard which places duties on regulators to collect and publish information about a registrant's ability and willingness to practice in Welsh so that a person will be able to consider language when choosing a registrants e.g. an osteopath, optician, or dentist. The objective of the proposal is to increase the opportunities for persons to use Welsh within this sector by choosing a registrant that can practice in Welsh.

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

I support this objective and am eager to address this matter. However, the most effective way of achieving that objective requires further consideration with the sector and with the Welsh Language Commissioner.

I have therefore decided not to proceed to lay these Regulations during this Senedd Term, but have asked my officials to continue their consideration of the matter . I am happy to meet with you, as Chair of the Committee to provide an update once a workable solution has been found.

Yours sincerely,

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Eluned Morgan AS/MS

Y Gweinidog Iechyd Meddwl, Llesiant a'r Gymraeg
Minister for Mental Health, Wellbeing and Welsh Language

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By virtue of paragraph(s) ix of Standing Order 17.42

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