

# Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Thursday, 4 March 2021

Meeting time: 09.15 – 11.02

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Lynne Neagle MS (Chair) Dawn Bowden MS Hefin David MS Suzy Davies MS Siân Gwenllïan MS Laura Anne Jones MS
Witnesses:	Professor Ann John, Professor of Public Health and Psychiatry at Swansea University Medical School and Chair of the National Advisory Group to Welsh Government on the prevention of suicide and self-harm Professor Alka Ahuja, Consultant Child & Adolescent Psychiatrist & National Clinical Lead, TEC (Technology Enabled Care) Cymru and Public Engagement Lead, Royal College of Psychiatrists Wales Professor Adrian Edwards, Professor of General Practice at Cardiff University, Director of the new Wales COVID-19 Evidence Centre, Director of PRIME Centre Wales (all-Wales)



	<p>centre for primary and emergency care research) and part time GP</p> <p>Dr David Tuthill, Consultant Paediatrician and Officer for Wales at the Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Llinos Madeley (Clerk)</p> <p>Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Philippa Watkins (Researcher)</p>

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

1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the virtual meeting of the Children, Young People and Education Committee.

1.2 In accordance with Standing Order 34.19, the Chair stated that she had determined that the public were excluded from the Committee's meeting in order to protect public health but that the meeting would be broadcast live on [www.senedd.tv](http://www.senedd.tv)

1.3 The Chair stated that if for any reason she dropped out of the meeting, the Committee agreed that Dawn Bowden MS would become Temporary Chair in accordance with Standing Order 17.22.

1.4 There were no apologies.

## **2 COVID-19: mental and physical health**

2.1 The Committee heard evidence from Professor Ann John, Professor Alka Ahuja, Professor Adrian Edwards and Dr David Tuthill on matters relating to the impact of COVID-19 on children and young people.

## **3 Papers to note**

3.1 The papers were noted.

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

4.1 The motion was agreed.

#### **5 Covid-19: Consideration of evidence**

5.1 The Committee considered the evidence it heard in the previous session.