

# Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Wednesday, 23 March 2022

Meeting time: 08.45 – 11.13

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## Hybrid

### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) Mabon ap Gwynfor MS Alun Davies MS Joel James MS Sam Rowlands MS Carolyn Thomas MS
Witnesses:	Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and the Welsh Language Amelia John, Welsh Government Bethan Webb, Welsh Government Iddon Edwards, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Manon George (Clerk) Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk) Chloe Davies (Deputy Clerk)



	Rhys Jones (Official) Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser) Jonathan Baxter (Researcher) Osian Bowyer (Researcher)
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## **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

1.1. The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Local Government and Housing Committee.

1.2. Mabon ap Gwynfor MS declared a relevant interest.

## **2 Papers to note**

### **2.1 Letter from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales in relation to complaints handled by Welsh Local Authorities**

2.1.a The Committee noted the letter from the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales in relation to complaints handled by Welsh Local Authorities.

### **2.2 Paper from an anonymous leaseholder of an apartment in relation to building safety**

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### **2.3 Response from the Welsh Government to the report on the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23**

2.3.a The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government to the report on the Welsh Government Draft Budget 2022–23.

## **2.4 Letter from Gareth Wilson to Councillor Lynda Thorne, Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities, Cardiff Council, in relation to building safety**

2.4.a The Committee noted the letter from Gareth Wilson to Councillor Lynda Thorne, Cabinet Member for Housing and Communities, Cardiff Council, in relation to building safety.

## **2.5 Letter from the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee in relation to work on the decarbonisation of housing**

2.5.a The Committee noted the letter from the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee in relation to work on the decarbonisation of housing.

## **3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the following items: 4, 5, 6, 7 and 9**

3.1. The Committee agreed the motion.

## **4 Consideration of approach to work relating to the provision of sites for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers**

4.1. The Committee considered its approach to the work relating to the provision of sites for Gypsies, Roma and Travellers.

## **5 Consideration of approach to work relating to community assets**

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## **6 Consideration of approach to work relating to Corporate Joint Committees (CJCs)**

6.1. The Committee considered its approach to work relating to Corporate Joint Committees (CJCs).

## **7 Consideration of forward work programme**

7.1. The Committee considered its forward work programme.

## **8 Inquiry into second homes: evidence session 8 – Minister for Education and the Welsh Language**

8.1. The Committee received evidence from:

Jeremy Miles MS, Minister for Education and the Welsh Language

Amelia John, Deputy Director, Housing Policy, Welsh Government

Bethan Webb, Deputy Director, Welsh Language, Welsh Government

Iddon Edwards, Head of Language Planning, Project 2050, Welsh Government

## **9 Consideration of the evidence received under item 8**

9.1. The Committee considered the evidence received under item 8.