

# Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee room 4 Ty Hywel  
and video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 25 April 2022

Meeting time: 13.30 – 14.55

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## Hybrid

### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair) Rhys ab Owen MS Alun Davies MS Peter Fox MS
Witnesses:	
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Claire Fiddes (Deputy Clerk) Gareth Howells (Legal Adviser) Kate Rabaiotti (Legal Adviser)

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

There were no apologies or substitutions.



## **2 Instruments that raise no reporting issues under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3**

### **Made Negative Resolution Instruments**

#### **2.1 SL(6)184 – The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (Consequential Amendments and Transitional Provision) (Chief Executives) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

#### **2.2 SL(6)189 – The Education (Postgraduate Student Support) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

#### **2.3 SL(6)192 – The Local Government (Relevant Authorities) (Power to Trade) (Wales) Order 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

#### **2.4 SL(6)193 – The General Power of Competence (Commercial Purpose) (Conditions) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

### **Affirmative Resolution Instruments**

#### **2.5 SL(6)187 – The Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 (Consequential Amendments) (Job-sharing and Assistants to the Executive) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and was content.

### **3 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3**

#### **Made Negative Resolution Instruments**

##### **3.1 SL(6)181 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel, Operator Liability and Public Health Information to Travellers etc.) (Wales) (Revocation) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

##### **3.2 SL(6)183 – The Firefighters’ Pension Scheme (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and Welsh Government response and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

##### **3.3 SL(6)188 – The National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting point identified.

##### **3.4 SL(6)195 – The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

#### **Affirmative Resolution Instruments**

##### **3.5 SL(6)194 – The Allocation of Housing and Homelessness (Eligibility) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and Welsh Government response and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

## **Made Affirmative Resolution Instrument**

### **3.48 SL(6)196 – The Health Protection (Coronavirus Restrictions) (No. 5) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 9) Regulations 2022**

The Committee considered the instrument and agreed to report to the Senedd in line with the reporting points identified.

## **4 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3 – previously considered**

### **4.1 SL(6)130 – The Renting Homes (Supported Standard Contracts) (Supplementary Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Climate Change.

### **4.2 SL(6)131 – The Renting Homes (Supplementary Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Climate Change.

## **5 Common frameworks**

### **5.1 Written statement by the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Common Frameworks – Summary of Recent Progress**

The Committee noted the written statement by the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

### **5.2 Correspondence from the Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Provisional Plant Health Common Framework**

The Committee noted the letter from the Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

### **5.3 Correspondence from the Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs: Provisional Fertilisers Common Framework**

The Committee noted the letter from the Common Frameworks Scrutiny Committee to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

## **6 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement**

### **6.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: Meeting of the Inter-Ministerial Group for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd.

### **6.2 Correspondence from the Chair of the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations: Transparency of intergovernmental relationship meetings**

The Committee noted the letter from the Chair of the Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations.

### **6.3 Correspondence from the First Minister: Inter-Ministerial Standing Committee**

The Committee noted the letter and Written Statement from the First Minister.

### **6.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Finance Interministerial Standing Committee Meeting**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government.

## **6.5 Correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: The Agriculture and Horticulture Development Board (Amendment) Order 2022**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd.

## **6.6 Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations: Legislative consent memoranda and concurrent powers contained within UK Government bills**

The Committee noted the letter from the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations.

## **6.7 Correspondence from the Minister for Economy: Trade and Cooperation Agreement**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Economy.

## **6.8 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Intergovernmental Relations Review, the Internal Market Act, and the Sewel Convention**

The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

## **6.9 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Interministerial Group for Elections and Registration (IMG Elections)**

The Committee noted the letter and Written Statement from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

# **7 Written Statements under Standing Order 30C**

## **7.1 WS-30C(6)007 – The Organic Production (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the Written Statement and commentary.

## **7.2 WS-30C(6)008 – The Import of Animals and Animal Products and Approved Countries (Amendment) Regulations 2022**

The Committee noted the Written Statement and commentary.

## **8 Papers to note**

### **8.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language: Welsh Government response to Stage 1 reports on the Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Bill**

The Committee noted the letters from the Minister for Education and Welsh Language.

### **8.2 Correspondence from the Local Government and Housing Committee: Supplementary Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Building Safety Bill**

The Committee noted the letter from the Local Government and Housing Committee.

### **8.3 Correspondence from the Equality and Social Justice Committee: Equality and Social Justice Committee inquiry – experiences of the criminal justice system**

The Committee noted the letter from the Equality and Social Justice Committee.

### **8.4 Wales Tourism Alliance, UKHospitality Cymru and PASC UK response to draft Non-Domestic Rating (Definition of Domestic Property) (Wales) Order 2022**

The Committee noted the response from the Wales Tourism Alliance, UKHospitality Cymru and PASC UK.

### **8.5 Correspondence from the Finance Committee: Welsh Government Draft Budget 2023–24: Engagement**

The Committee noted the letter from the Finance Committee.

### **8.6 Welsh Government report: The legislative response by the Welsh Ministers to the coronavirus pandemic (1 September 2021 to 31 March 2022)**

The Committee noted the Written Statement and Welsh Government report.

**8.7 Correspondence from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice:  
Invitation to give evidence to the Committee**

The Committee noted the letter from the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice.

**8.8 Correspondence from the Chair of the Equality and Social Justice Committee:  
Annual scrutiny of the Future Generations Commissioner**

The Committee noted the letter from the Equality and Social Justice Committee.

**8.9 Written statement: The UK Shared Prosperity Fund**

The Committee noted the Written Statement by the Minister for the Economy.

**8.10 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution:  
Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Elections Bill**

The Committee noted the letter from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

**8.11 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice: Amendments to the Police,  
Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Social Justice.

**8.12 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Welsh Tax  
Acts etc. (Power to Modify) Bill**

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister for Finance and Local Government.

**9 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 to resolve to exclude the public  
from the remainder of the meeting**

**10 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the British Sign Language Bill –  
consideration of draft report**

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report, subject to minor changes.

## **11 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 4) on the Health and Care Bill – consideration of legal advice note and draft report**

The Committee considered the legal advice note and agreed its draft report.

## **12 Forward work programme**

The Committee discussed their forward work programme.