

# Concise Minutes – Children, Young People and Education Committee

Meeting Venue:

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

Meeting date: Wednesday, 25 May 2022

Meeting time: 09.30 – 11.45

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## Hybrid

### Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jayne Bryant MS (Chair) Sam Rowlands MS (In place of Laura Anne Jones MS) Ken Skates MS Buffy Williams MS Sioned Williams MS Heledd Fychan MS
Witnesses:	Philip Blaker, Chief Executive, Qualification Wales Jo Richards, Executive Director, Regulation, Qualification Wales David Jones, Chair, Qualification Wales Meilyr Rowlands
Committee Staff:	Naomi Stocks (Clerk) Tom Lewis-White (Second Clerk) Sarah Bartlett (Deputy Clerk) Michael Dauncey (Researcher)



	Rosemary Hill (Researcher) Sian Hughes (Researcher)
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## **1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest**

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Members to the meeting of the Children, Young People and Education Committee.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Laura Jones MS and James Evans MS, Sam Rowlands MS substituted for Laura. Heledd Fychan MS substituted for Sioned Williams MS for items 5 and 6.

## **2 Papers to note**

- 2.1 The papers were noted.

## **3 Motion under Standing Order 17.42(ix) to resolve to exclude the remainder of the meeting and for item 1 at the meeting on 16 June**

- 3.1 The motion was agreed.

## **4 Qualifications Wales – update on priorities [part 2]**

- 4.1 The Committee received an update from Qualifications Wales on post 16 reform and summer exams 2022.

## **5 Pupil absence – Briefing session**

- 5.1 Ahead of the Committee's oral evidence session, the Committee received a briefing from Meilyr Rowlands.

## **6 Pupil absence – consideration of the evidence**

6.1 The Committee considered information it had heard in the previous briefing session.

## **7 Implementation of key education reforms – consideration of approach**

7.1 The Committee considered the approach to its work on key educational reforms. Subject to minor amendments the approach was agreed.