

# Concise Minutes – Equality and Social Justice Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Hybrid meeting, Committee Room 5

Meeting date: Monday, 4 July 2022

Meeting time: 10.00 – 17.30

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## Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Jenny Rathbone MS (Chair) Jane Dodds MS Altaf Hussain MS Joel James MS Sarah Murphy MS Sioned Williams MS Peredur Owen Griffiths MS Ken Skates MS
Witnesses:	Kelly Andrews, GMB Dr Phil Banfield, British Medical Association Cymru Wales Ben Cottam, Federation of Small Business Leighton Jenkins, CBI Cymru Paul Slevin, Chambers Wales Mary Williams, Unite Darren Williams, Public and Commercial Services Union (PCS)



	<p>Dr Victoria Winckler, Bevan Foundation</p> <p>Bethan Thomas, UNISON</p> <p>Richard Selby, Institute of directors</p> <p>Tom Hoyles, GMB</p> <p>Yasmin Khan, Preferred candidate for the role of National Adviser for Violence against women, gender-based violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence</p> <p>Nisreen Mansour, Wales TUC</p> <p>Johanna Robinson, Preferred candidate for the role of National Adviser for Violence against women, gender-based violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence</p>
Committee Staff:	<p>Rhys Morgan (Clerk)</p> <p>Rachael Davies (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Angharad Roche (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Stephen Davies (Legal Adviser)</p> <p>Samiwel Davies (Legal Adviser)</p>

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

Apologies were received from Sarah Murphy for Items 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Sioned Williams was substituted by Peredur Owen Griffiths and Altaf Hussain was substituted by Joel James for all items on the agenda relating to the Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill.

Declarations of interest were received from the following:

Jenny Rathbone – Member of Unite and Bevan Foundation

Ken Skates – Member of Unite

Sarah Murphy – Member of Unite, Unison, GMB and the Bevan Foundation

Jane Dodds – Member of Unite

Joel James – Member of Unite.

## **2 Papers to note**

Members noted the paper.

### **2.1 Letter from the Minister for Social Justice to the Chair regarding an update on recommendation 7 of the Debt and the Pandemic report**

## **3 Pre-appointment hearing for the National Adviser for Violence Against Women, Gender-based Violence, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence**

Members heard from Johanna Robinson and Yasmin Khan in the pre-appointment hearing for the national adviser for violence against women, gender-based violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence.

## **4 Motion under SO17.42 (iv) and (ix) to exclude the public from items 5 and 10 of the agenda**

Members agreed the motion.

## **5 Consideration of evidence and draft report**

Members considered the evidence that they had heard from both candidates and agreed a draft report on the hearing, subject to minor amendments. Members noted the report would be laid shortly.

## **6 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 3 – private sector employers**

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Richard Selby, National Chair Institute of Directors Wales

Leighton Jenkins, CBI Wales

Ben Cottam, FSB Wales

Paul Slevin, Chambers Wales

## **7 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 4 – trade unions (1)**

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Nisreen Mansour, Wales Trades Union Congress

Bethan Thomas, Unison

Darren Williams, Public and Commercial Services Union

## **8 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 5 – trade unions (2)**

Members heard evidence from the following witnesses:

Professor Phil Banfield, British Medical Association

Mary Williams, Unite

Tom Hoyles, GMB

## **9 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill, evidence session 6 – Bevan Foundation**

Members heard evidence from:

Dr Victoria Winckler, Bevan Foundation

## **10 Social Partnership and Public Procurement (Wales) Bill: consideration of evidence**

Members considered the evidence.