

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 3, Senedd,
and Video conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 10 July 2023

Meeting time: 12.30 – 17.09

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS James Evans MS Adam Price MS
Witnesses:	Mick Antoniw MS, Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution Julie James MS, Minister for Climate Change Sophie Brighthouse, Welsh Government James Gerard, Welsh Government Dr Robert Parry, Welsh Government Ed Sherriff, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Kate Rabaiotti (Legal Adviser)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

There were no apologies or substitutions.

2 The Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Energy Bill: Scrutiny session with the Minister for Climate Change

The Committee received evidence from the Minister for Climate Change.

3 Scrutiny session with the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution

The Committee received evidence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

4 Instruments that raise issues to be reported to the Senedd under Standing Order 21.2 or 21.3

4.1 SL(6)366 – The Feed Additives (Form of Provisional Authorisations) (Cobalt(II) Compounds) (Wales) Regulations 2023

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

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

5.1 SL(6)365 – The Education (Student Finance) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) (Wales) Regulations 2023

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

6 Inter-Institutional Relations Agreement

6.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Interministerial Standing Committee Meeting

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister.

7 Papers to note

7.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change to the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee: Infrastructure (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister to the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee.

7.2 Correspondence from the Minister for Climate Change to the Climate Change, Environment, and Infrastructure Committee: Environment (Air Quality and Soundscapes) (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister to the Climate Change, Environment and Infrastructure Committee.

7.3 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: The Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Non-Domestic Rating Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister.

7.4 Correspondence from the Minister for Health and Social Services: The Health Service Procurement (Wales) Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister.

7.5 Correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip and the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution to the Llywydd: UK Bill of Rights Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Ministers to the Llywydd.

7.6 Correspondence from the Minister for Economy: The Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 5) on the Online Safety Bill

The Committee noted the letter from the Minister.

7.7 Correspondence from the Finance Committee to the Minister for Finance and Local Government: Draft Budget Timetable 2024–25

The Committee noted the letter from the Finance Committee to the Minister.

7.8 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Retained EU Law (Revocation and Reform) Bill

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

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

The Committee agreed the motion.

9 The Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Energy Bill: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence it received from the Minister for Climate Change.

10 Scrutiny session with the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence it received from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution.

11 Environment (Air Quality and Soundscapes) (Wales) Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered its draft report and agreed to consider minor changes outside of the meeting.

12 Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Data Protection and Digital Information (No. 2) Bill: Draft report

The Committee agreed its draft report.

13 Monitoring report

The Committee noted its latest monitoring report.

14 The House of Commons' Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee inquiry into Devolution Capability in Whitehall: Call for evidence

The Committee considered its draft submission to the House of Commons' Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee inquiry into Devolution Capability in Whitehall.

15 International agreements

The Committee considered its draft report on the following international agreements:

- UK–Switzerland Recognition of Professional Qualifications.
- Council of Europe Convention on an Integrated Safety, Security and Service Approach to Football Matches and Other Sporting Events.

The Committee agreed to write to the Welsh Government seeking further information on the first agreement and draw both agreements to the attention of relevant Senedd and UK Parliament committees.

Made Negative Resolution Instruments

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Affirmative Resolution Instruments

16 The Committee's consideration of Consolidation Bills

The Committee agreed to postpone the consideration of this item until a later meeting.

