

Concise Minutes – Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee

Meeting Venue:

Hybrid – Committee Room 2, Senedd
and Video Conference via Zoom

Meeting date: Monday, 11 March 2024

Meeting time: 10.00 – 12.29

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Hybrid

Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	Huw Irranca-Davies MS (Chair) Alun Davies MS Samuel Kurtz MS Adam Price MS
Witnesses:	Julie James MS, Minister for Climate Change Gareth Baglow, Welsh Government Helen Kellaway, Welsh Government Caroline Matthews, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	P Gareth Williams (Clerk) Gerallt Roberts (Second Clerk) Sarah Sargent (Second Clerk) Kate Rabaiotti (Legal Adviser)



1 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

There were no apologies or substitutions.

2 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Renters (Reform) Bill: Evidence Session

The Committee received evidence from the Minister for Climate Change.

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

3.1 SL(6)459 – The Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading Scheme (Amendment) Order 2024

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

3.2 SL(6)462 – The Regulated Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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

3.3 SL(6)463 – The Plant Health etc. (Miscellaneous Fees) (Amendment) (Wales) Regulations 2024

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 21.7

4.1 SL(6)460 – The Building Safety Act 2022 (Commencement No. 4, Transitional and Saving Provisions) (Wales) Regulations 2024

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

4.2 SL(6)461 – The Tertiary Education and Research (Wales) Act 2022 (Commencement No. 2 and Transitory Provision) (Amendment) Order 2024

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)454 – The National Health Service Joint Commissioning Committee (Wales) Regulations 2024

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

5.2 SL(6)455 – The Education (Student Finance) (Fee Limit and Loan Amounts) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Wales) Regulations 2024

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

5.3 SL(6)457 – The Special School Residential Services (Service Providers and Responsible Individuals) (Wales) Regulations 2024

The Committee noted the response from the Welsh Government.

6 Inter–Institutional Relations Agreement

6.1 Correspondence from the Welsh Government: Inter–Ministerial Groups

The committee noted correspondence received in relation to meetings of the following:

- the UK–EU Relations Inter–Ministerial Group,
- the Inter–Ministerial Standing Committee,
- the Net Zero, Energy and Climate Change Inter–Ministerial Group, and the Inter–Ministerial Group for Sport.

6.2 Written Statement by the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: The Sea Fisheries (Amendment) Regulations 2024

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

6.3 Written Statement and correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd: The Plant Health (Fees) (England) and Official Controls (Frequency of Checks) (Amendment) Regulations 2024

The Committee noted the Written Statement and correspondence from the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd.

7 Papers to note

7.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Economy: Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memoranda on the Trade (Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans- Pacific Partnership) Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Economy.

7.2 Correspondence from the Chair of the Constitution Committee, House of Lords to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations: Scrutiny of Common Frameworks

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Chair of the House of Lords Constitution Committee to the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, and Minister for Intergovernmental Relations.

7.3 Correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government: The Welsh Tax Acts etc. (Power to Modify) Act 2022

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Minister for Finance and Local Government and agreed to write seeking further information.

7.4 Correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Climate Change: Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on the Welsh Government's Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Automated Vehicles Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Deputy Minister for Climate Change.

7.5 Correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution: Correcting Welsh Statutory Instruments

The Committee noted the correspondence from the Counsel General and Minister for the Constitution and agreed to write with further comments.

7.6 Correspondence from the First Minister: Welsh Government response to the Committee's report on the Welsh Government's Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum (Memorandum No. 3) on the Data Protection and Digital Information Bill

The Committee noted the correspondence from the First Minister and agreed to write to the Welsh Government and the UK Government seeking further information.

8 Motion to elect a temporary Chair under Standing Order 17.22 for the Committee meeting on 18 March 2024

There was a temporary Chair nomination under Standing Order 17.22, and the nomination was agreed. The Committee elected Alun Davies MS as a temporary Chair for the Committee meeting on 18 March 2024.

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

The Committee agreed the motion.

10 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Renters (Reform) Bill: Consideration of evidence

The Committee considered the evidence provided by the Minister for Climate Change.

11 Residential Outdoor Education (Wales) Bill: Draft report

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

12 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Automated Vehicles Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report.

13 Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Criminal Justice Bill: Draft report

The Committee considered and agreed its draft report, subject to minor changes, and agreed to write to Welsh Government. The Committee also formally noted correspondence from the Minister for Social Justice and Chief Whip to the Llywydd, and a joint letter from housing and homelessness charities in Wales.