

# Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

[INSERT LOCATION]

Meeting date: Thursday, 6 March 2025

Meeting time: 09.00 – 14.04

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## Hybrid

### Attendance

| Category               | Names   |
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| Members of the Senedd: | John Griffiths MS (Chair)<br>Peter Fox MS<br>Siân Gwenllïan MS<br>Lee Waters MS   |
| Witnesses:             | Sam Austin, Llamau<br>Sian Aldridge, The Wallich<br>Emma Shaw, Salvation Army<br>Jim Bird–Waddington, Goleudy<br>Katie Dalton, Cymorth Cymru<br>Jasmine Harris, Crisis<br>Oliver Townsend, Platform<br>Nicola Evans, Housing Justice Cymru<br>Clare Budden, ClwydAlyn<br>Rhea Stevens, Community Housing Cymru<br>Sarah Schofield, Adra |



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|                  | <p>Elliw Llyr, Isle of Anglesey County Council</p> <p>Andrea Lewis, Swansea Council</p>   |
| Committee Staff: | <p>Manon George (Clerk)</p> <p>Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk)</p> <p>Evan Jones (Deputy Clerk)</p> <p>Jennie Bibbings (Researcher)</p> |

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

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Local Government and Housing Committee.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from Lesley Griffiths MS and Laura Anne Jones MS.
- 1.3 Lee Waters MS declared that is chairing a Welsh Government taskforce on affordable housing.

## **2 Housing support for vulnerable people: Evidence session 1**

- 2.1 The Committee received evidence from the panel.
- 2.2 The Committee agreed to write to the panel with questions not reached focusing on the future of housing support.

## **3 Housing support for vulnerable people: Evidence session 2**

- 3.1 The Committee received evidence from the panel.

## **4 Housing support for vulnerable people: Evidence session 3**

- 4.1 The Committee received evidence from the panel.

## **5 Housing support for vulnerable people: Evidence session 4**

- 5.1 The Committee received evidence from the panel.
- 5.2 Councillor Lewis agreed to write to the Committee with the following:
  - Information about how much data local authorities hold on the extent of support need in their local area, and how that data is used to inform commissioning.

– Whether there is any evidence of local authorities refraining from retendering some services due to increasing costs or capacity

– Details of which local authorities are not yet delivering Housing First projects and whether any others are considering rolling back on.

## **6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting and for items 1 and 2 of the meeting on 19 March**

6.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

## **7 Housing support for vulnerable people: consideration of evidence**

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.

## **8 Business Committee review of the Public Bill and Member Bill processes**

8.1 The Committee considered the letter from Business Committee regarding its review of the Public Bill and Member Bill processes.

## **9 Elections Information Platform Regulations**

9.1 The Committee considered the brief regarding the elections information platform regulations.

## **10 Supplementary Legislative Consent Memorandum Renters' Rights Bill: consideration of draft report**

10.1 The Committee considered and agreed the draft report.