

Concise Minutes – Local Government and Housing Committee

Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 1, Senedd

Meeting date: Wednesday, 19 March
2025

Meeting time: 10.15 – 12.31

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Attendance

Category	Names
Members of the Senedd:	John Griffiths MS (Chair) Peter Fox MS Lesley Griffiths MS Siân Gwenllïan MS Laura Anne Jones MS Lee Waters MS
Witnesses:	Jayne Bryant MS, Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government Sara James, Welsh Government Sarah Rhodes, Welsh Government
Committee Staff:	Catherine Hunt (Second Clerk) Evan Jones (Deputy Clerk) Rhys Jones (Secretariat) Gwennan Hardy (Researcher)



	Jennie Bibbings (Researcher) Manon Huws (Legal Adviser)
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1 Legislative Consent: Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill

1.1 The Committee considered the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Border Security, Asylum and Immigration Bill.

2 Housing support for vulnerable people: summary of engagement findings

2.1 The Committee considered the summary of engagement findings paper.

3 Introductions, apologies, substitutions and declarations of interest

3.1 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Local Government and Housing Committee.

3.2 There were no apologies or declarations of interest.

4 Housing support for vulnerable people: Evidence session with the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government

4.1 The Committee heard evidence from the Cabinet Secretary for Housing and Local Government.

4.2 During the meeting, it was agreed that Welsh Government would write to the Committee:

- to provide more detail on the work of the Cardiff Councils' Homelessness multidisciplinary team with regards to data sharing;
- to advise on the Welsh Government's next steps Welsh Government to support the front-line workforce following the report publication from the workforce task and finish group;

- to provide details of the outcome of the Welsh Government's discussions with UK Government for additional funding to cover the cost of the rise in National Insurance contributions;
- with additional information on the work of the rapid rehousing task and finish group, including details of its forward work programme;
- with information on the Welsh Government's discussions with the DWP regarding removing financial barriers for young people in supported accommodation to find employment;
- to provide data / statistics on the number of people currently or recently classified as homeless after release from prison.

5 Papers to note

5.1 Building Safety

5.1 The Committed noted the letters.

5.2 Housing support for vulnerable people

5.2 The Committee noted the letters.

6 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting

6.1 The Committee agreed the Motion.

7 Housing support for vulnerable people: consideration of evidence

7.1 The Committee considered the evidence received.