

# Agenda – Equality and Social Justice Committee

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Meeting Venue:

Committee Room 3 (Senedd)

Meeting date: 12 May 2025

Meeting time: 13.30

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## Pre-meeting

(13:00– 13:30)

## Public meeting

(13:30–14:45)

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

(13:30)

### 2 Social cohesion: ministerial evidence session

(13:30–14:45)

(Pages 1 – 38)

Jane Hutt, MS, Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip

Andrew Charles, Deputy Director, Cohesive Communities, Welsh Government

John Davies, Head of Cohesion, Welsh Government

### 3 Papers to note

(14:45)

#### 3.1 Correspondence from the Minister for Children and Social Care to the Chair regarding the expansion of the Flying Start programme

(Pages 39 – 40)

#### 3.2 Correspondence from the Minister for Culture, Skills and Partnership to the Chair of the Environment, Transport and Rural Affairs Committee regarding the Welsh Government's legislative consent memoranda on the Employment Rights Bill

(Pages 41 – 42)



- 3.3 Correspondence from the Children's Legal Centre Wales to the Chair regarding the strip searching of children in Wales**  
(Pages 43 – 63)
- 3.4 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip to the Chair regarding speech , language and communication needs in the criminal justice system**  
(Pages 64 – 65)
- 3.5 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip to the Post-Custody Accommodation Working Group regarding support for Prisoners**  
(Pages 66 – 67)
- 3.6 Correspondence from the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Trefnydd and Chief Whip to the Chair regarding the Welsh Government's response to the Committee's report: "Anything's Achievable with the Right Support – Tackling the Disability Employment Gap"**  
(Pages 68 – 78)
- 3.7 Response from the Welsh Government to the Equality and Social Justice Committee's report on the response to the Legislative Consent Memorandum on the Employment Rights Bill**  
(Pages 79 – 82)

**4 Motion under Standing Order 17.42 (vi) and (ix) to resolve to exclude the public from the remainder of this meeting**

(14:45)

**Private meeting**

(14:45–15:30)

**5 Social cohesion: consideration of evidence**

(14:45 – 15:15)

**6 Disability and Employment: consideration of response and additional work**

(15:15– 15:30)